

PARISH MINISTRIES AND SERVICES

St. Joseph Parish

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The Middlebrook Deanery Catholic School
(Grades Pre-K through 8)

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Mrs. Melinda Hanlon, Principal

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• Parish Services

Parish Office: Open Monday through Thursday 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM (closed 12:00 - 1:30 PM for lunch), Friday 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM.

Parish Center and Chapel of the Nativity: 124 East Second Street

Church: Mountain Avenue and East High Street

Parish Office: (732) 356-0027

Parish Fax: (732) 356-8092

Emergencies Only: (732) 356-8936

Website: www.sjcbb.net

• Sacraments

Baptism: English Baptisms will be officiated on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month at 1:30 PM in the Church. Spanish Baptisms will be officiated on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month at 1:30 PM in the Church. Contact the Parish Office to schedule. Attendance at Baptism class is mandatory. The Baptism must be scheduled before you attend Baptism class.

Marriage: Weddings celebrated Saturdays and Friday evenings, but not Sundays. You must contact a priest 9 months before the planned date, and reservation of a wedding time is suggested even earlier.

Penance: Saturday 9-10:00 AM (Chapel); Wednesday 6:30-7 PM (Church). Other times on request.

Confirmation, First Eucharist, First Penance: Though immediate preparation is given before receiving these sacraments, children are expected to receive a Catholic upbringing in their families. This includes formal religious education classes and regular Sunday worship in the years prior to and following the reception of these Sacraments.

• Devotions

Marian Novena: Saturdays following the 8:15 AM Mass in the Chapel.

Eucharistic Adoration: First and Second Friday, Adoration following 8:30 AM Mass; Benediction: 1st Friday in English; 2nd Friday in Spanish, 1:00 PM in the Chapel.

SPONSORSHIP ELIGIBILITY

TO BE OR NOT TO BE . . . A SPONSOR FOR BAPTISM OR CONFIRMATION

The opportunity to walk with another in Faith, whether a child or an adult is an awesome privilege. It is cause for serious consideration on the part of those who ask another to witness with their lives to what it means to be a Catholic, and for those who accept this responsibility. It is important to think carefully about your selection and decision. The person to be considered a Sponsor must be at least 14 years of age and have themselves completed the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist, Confirmation), and are leading a life in harmony with the Faith and Tradition they are called to witness. A Godparent/Sponsor cannot be the mother or father of the one to be baptized. If married, their marriage must be recognized as "valid" by the Catholic Church. They must be attending Mass regularly, that is, every Sunday and Holy Day of Obligation.

They will need to obtain a Certificate of Eligibility signed by their pastor. Being properly registered at one's parish is an important first step. Consider carefully your invitation and response. There is more involved to this than simply standing at the Baptismal Font. It is a lifelong commitment. If you have questions, speak with one of the parish priests who can guide you correctly.

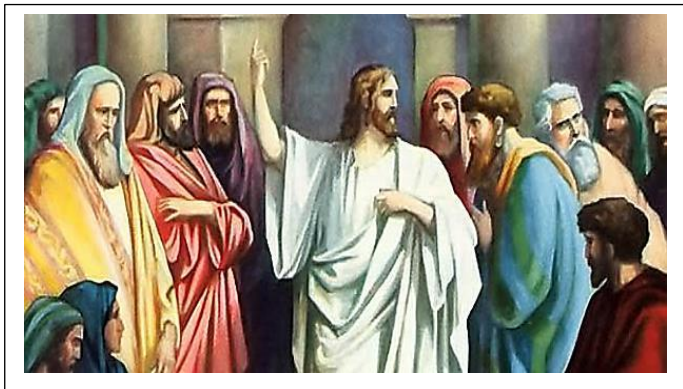
- **Call the Parish Office EARLY**, even before your child's birth to obtain information that will help you in selecting suitable godparents.
- **New parishioners** are asked to come to the Parish Office and fill out a Census Form. Individuals and families must be registered and practicing here for at least six months before applying for sponsorship.
- **If you have changed your address** or other information, please contact the Parish Office at (732) 356-0027 so that we can update our records.

IN THE HOSPITAL?

If you or someone you know is sick in the hospital or nursing home for an extended stay, please contact the parish office. We will do our best to have someone make a pastoral visit and bring communion. Please note that the Hospitals or Nursing Homes do not notify us, and we rely on the family to inform us of this information. Thank you for your assistance.

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, February 1, 2015



He taught them as one having authority.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2015

8:30 AM Carmella Mignella
request of Carol and Rocco Marinelli

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2015

8:30 AM Margaret Betsko, request of her daughter

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2015

8:30 AM Edward Zujkowski
request of Elaine and Louis Pilato

7:30 PM People of the Parish

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2015

8:30 AM Gleason and Mitterbach families
request of the Robert Gleason family

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2015

8:30 AM David Ford
request of Jim and Mary Lynn Tolomeo

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2015

8:30 AM Manuel Villamil
request of Gloria Villamil and family

5:00 PM Adriano Andrade
request of son, Antonio and family

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2015

8:00 AM Mario DeGhetto
request of Mary and Mario DeGhetto
Anthony B. Ricci (birthday), request of family

10:00 AM Leonard Zielinski, request of Riccioli family

12:00 PM Thanksgiving to St. Jude Tadeo
request of Rita Cariño

PRAYER FOR OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN

Queen of the Holy Rosary, we implore you to bless our military forces at home and abroad. Guide their steps into the way of peace. Amen.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Reading 1: Job 7:1-4, 6-7

I am filled with restlessness until the dawn.

Reading 2: 21 Corinthians 9:16-19

Woe to me if I do not preach the Gospel.

Gospel: 22-23 Mark 1:29-39

Jesus cured many who were sick with various diseases.

THIS WEEK

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2015

7:00-8:15 PM Religious Education - grades 4 - 8
Lafayette School, 50 West High Street

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2015

1:00 PM Catholic Daughters in the Community Room

4:00-5:15 PM Religious Education - grades Pre-k - 4
Lafayette School, 50 West High Street

8:00-9:00 PM Spanish Prayer Group in the Library

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2015

7:00-8:15 PM Religious Education - grades 2, 6, 7, 8
Lafayette School, 50 West High Street

6:30-8:30 PM Spanish Bible Class in the Library

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2015

4:30 PM Spanish Choir in the Main Church

5:30 PM Children's Choir in the Main Church

6:30 PM Bell Choir in the Main Church

7:30 PM Adult Choir in the Main Church

7:00 PM Spanish Men's Group in the Library

7:30 PM Spanish Divine Mercy in the Chapel

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2015

9:00 AM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
In the Chapel of the Nativity

1:00 PM Benediction (in English) in the
Chapel of the Nativity

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2015

1:00-3:00 PM CPR Training in the Community Room

6:00-7:00 PM Spanish RICA in the Library

6:00-9:30 PM Spanish Prayer Group in the Chapel

SANCTUARY LAMP MEMORIAL

February 2 - 8, 2015

In memory of

Josephine Tomaro

Request of her Godson, Mark

SUNDAY OFFERING

THE WEEK ENDED JANUARY 25

Ordinary Offertory	\$6,360
Parish Ordinary Expenses*	(\$6,111)
We operated at a surplus of:	\$ 249
* Annual Weekly Average	

**Thank you! Your continued support helps
St. Joseph Parish to serve our people more effectively!**

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

"Brothers and sisters: I should like you to be free of anxieties." – 1 Corinthians 7:32

How much anxiety do we bring upon ourselves by constantly worrying about not having enough or attaining more things? God won't necessarily give you everything you want, but He will provide everything you need. Try this – use the word "pray" instead of the word "worry" in the future.

FIND PEACE, POWER AND PASSION AFTER YOUR DIVORCE

**FOR MEN AND WOMEN
SEEKING HEALING FROM DIVORCE**

Date: Saturday, February 2015
Time: 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Location: Archdiocesan Center (Library)
171 Clifton Avenue, Newark NJ

Snow Date: February 28

Registration: \$50 - by February 13, 2015

For more information contact Janet McCormack, Family Life Office (973) 497-4327 or email mccormja@rcan.org.

STRESS IN YOUR MARRIAGE?

Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage? Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with your spouse? Are you constantly fighting? Or do you simply shut down? Have you thought about separation or divorce? Does talking about it only make it worse?

Retrouvaille is a Lifeline to Help Couples Heal and Renew their Marriages. The program consists of a weekend experience for married couples (no group discussions) with six follow-up sessions.

The next weekend is **February 6-8, 2015.**

For more information please call: Family Life Office (732) 562-1990 x1705. To register call: Tom and Pat McTague at (732) 583-4468 or Rich and Annette Colasuonno at (732) 236-0671.

THE IMMACULATA DIFFERENCE

2015 Winter Admissions Event

All 6th, 7th and 8th grade families are invited to a personal, informative event regarding your high school decision-making process.

Event sessions include: The Immaculata Student's Road to College and Beyond; Spartan Philosophy: Academics, Athletics and Accountability; Student Leadership through Extracurriculars; and Immaculata's Four Pillars: Living Our Mission.

Date: Wednesday, February 4, 2015

Time: 6:30 – 8:30 PM

Location: 240 Mountain Avenue, Somerville
RSVP: vtarentino@immaculatahighschool.org
www.ImmaculataHighSchool.org/Difference

CATHOLIC SCHOOL TUITION ASSISTANCE

Applications for financial aid through the Diocese of Metuchen Tuition Assistance Program for the 2015-2016 school year are now available at all diocesan elementary and secondary schools. Completed applications must be mailed to Private School Aid Service, postmarked no later than **Tuesday, March 31, 2015.**

To obtain an application form, please contact the Principal or main office of the school where the student is registering. A printable version of the form, both English and Spanish, is also available on the diocesan website at <http://Tinyurl.com/DOM-TuitionAssistance>.

WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE

Sunday, February 8, 2015

**Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi, Metuchen, NJ
Celebrant and Homilist: Most Rev. Paul G. Bootkoski**

Honoring: Men and Women Religious 2015 Jubliarians. For more information about this liturgy and upcoming Year of Consecrated Life observances in the Diocese of Metuchen call (732) 562-1990 ext. 1102 email religious@diometuchen.org, or visit <http://diometuchen.org/year-of-consecrated-life>.

STARFISH COLLECTION

The Starfish Collection will be taken up next weekend. Any non-perishable food donations are appreciated! All cash donations for Starfish should be mailed directly to STARFISH PO Box 149, Bound Brook, NJ 08805.

ST. BLAISE

BLESSING OF THE THROAT

Since the feast of St. Blaise will be on Tuesday, I will be blessing your throats at the end of today's Mass. Instead of processing out, I will be blessing your throats with the assistance of some Eucharistic ministers. Following that, I will sign the bulletins. Thank you, Fr. Al

THE NEW EVANGELIZATION

"I Have Come to Light a Fire on the Earth" is the theme for the new Evangelization going on in the Church right now. This coming **Lent**, I will be showing a series of presentations dealing with **Catholicism and the New Evangelization**. Each lesson is for 90 minutes and I will break it down into two parts so we have time for questions and answers. The presentations will be in the Upper Room in the Parish Center from **7:00 to 8:30 PM**. I hope to see you there. A **\$12** donation to cover the purchase of the material is required. Please sign up and put the form in the collection basket so I'll know how many people will attend. The presentations will begin **Wednesday, March 4** and end Wednesday, April 29. All are welcome as we journey through lent. Thanks, Fr. Al

CATHOLICISM AND THE NEW EVANGILIZATION

Name(s): _____

Phone: _____

How Many Attending: _____

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

The next meeting of the Rosary Altar Society will be held on **Monday, February 9 at 1:00 PM** in the Community Room of the Church.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

A meeting of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court Gloria #462 will be held on **Tuesday, January 3 at 1:00 PM** in the Community Room.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held on the first Friday of the month, **February 6, 2015**, in the Chapel of the Nativity following the 8:30 AM mass. The day will conclude with Prayer and Benediction at 1:00 PM. Come and rest in the presence of Jesus.

MAINTENANCE COLLECTION

The collection to help maintain our church will be taken up next weekend. Thank you for your support.

MESSAGES FROM FR. AL

CPR TRAINING

We have acquired a defibrillator for the main Church. Before it is placed in the church, we need to train responsible, strong individuals for each Mass. There are only 15 spaces to fill. The charge is **\$30**. Mr. Dave Cozza will be administering the classes. He is a trained professional and is giving us a break on the usual charges for this training. After the class, you will get an official certificate and license to administer **CPR**. The class will be **Saturday, February 7 from 1:00 to 3:30 PM** in the Community Room of the Church. Please register as soon as possible and drop the registration form in the collection basket or at the Parish office. Spaces are limited. You must be an adult.

CPR TRAINING REGISTRATION

Name: _____

Phone #: _____

E-mail: _____

SNOW AND ICE

I ask that you please be very careful walking outdoors around the Church. We always remove the ice and snow, but sometimes the rain washes the salt away, and the rain freezes the sidewalks. If you see or feel that the ground is frozen, please alert the ushers or grab the salt bucket in front of the Church and salt the area. We don't want anyone to fall and get hurt. After Mass, I am usually signing bulletins, blessing people or talking to them. Please help me make our Church safer.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER AND ALTAR SERVER SEATS

Please leave the **2nd pew next to the Tabernacle** open for the **Eucharistic Ministers** and **Altar Servers**. They need to have the place to kneel. Where they customarily sit, they do not have a space to kneel.

WEDNESDAY EVENING MASS CHANGE

In order to save energy, I am going to change the location of the **Wednesday evening Mass to the Chapel**. It costs a significant amount of money to all of us to heat and cool such large building. Starting **February 25**, Wednesday Evening Mass and Confessions will be held in the Chapel. **All times will remain the same.**

HEATING IN THE MAIN CHURCH

Last week the heating unit in the main Church was repaired. I am sure you noticed the change in temperature. You are aware that we need to maintain our Church building so it remains comfortable to all. The cost of fixing the unit was \$800 dollars so if you can contribute towards the payment of that, it would be much appreciated. You can put it in the collection or increase your donations a bit to meet our expenses.

Thanks, Fr. Al

LECTURAS PARA EL PRÓXIMO DOMINGO

Quinto Domingo Ordinario

Primera Lectura: Job 7:1-4, 6-7

La noche se alarga y me canso de dar vueltas hasta que amanece.

Segunda Lectura: 1 Corintios 9:16-19, 22-23

No tengo por que presumir de predicar el Evangelio, puesto que ésta es mi obligación.

Evangelio: Marcos 1:29- 39

Jesús curó a muchos enfermos de diversos males y expulsó a muchos demonios.

AVISOS A LA COMUNIDAD

CONFESIONES: Las confesiones se realizan en Inglés y Español los siguientes días:

Sábados de 9:00 a 10:00 AM en la Capilla.

Miércoles de 6:30 a 7:00 PM en la Iglesia.

Los Miércoles las confesiones son hasta las 7 PM en punto. Para confesarse en otro momento debe hacer una cita previa llamando al (732) 356-0027.

FAMILIARES HOSPITALIZADOS

Si tiene algún familiar hospitalizado, y desea visita pastoral y Eucaristía, por favor infórmelo a la parroquia, llamando al teléfono (732) 356-0027.

VIRGEN PEREGRINA

Las familias que deseen la visita de la Virgen Peregrina en sus hogares, comunicarse con Oscar e Ivania Rios al (908) 986-8977- (908) 986-8978.

AYUDA A TU IGLESIA

Ayude a su Iglesia, adquiriendo los certificados de compra (Gift certificate) de su supermercado favorito ShopRite, A&P y Pathmark, sin que a usted le cueste un centavo adicional. Así la Iglesia gana el 5% por certificado. Se venden a la salida de la Misa los Domingos o en la semana en la oficina Parroquial de 9:00 AM a 4:00 PM.

TOME NOTA

- La hermana Lucia, atiende la oficina parroquial los Lunes y Miércoles de 9:45 a 11:45 AM y de 1:45 a 4:30 PM, Jueves de 2:30 a 9:00 PM. Viernes de 9:45 a 11:45 AM para los que deseen hablarle. Para hacer una cita con la Hermana llame al teléfono (732) 356-0027 ext. 6.
- El Diácono Gustavo Sandoval, está disponible para aquellas personas que necesiten alguna ayuda espiritual. Para comunicarse con él, favor llamarle al teléfono (732) 317-8544.
- La Sra. Martha atiende en la oficina Parroquial (donde está la Capilla) todo lo relacionado con Misas, bautismos, registros parroquiales y certificados. Ella atiende en la oficina todos los Martes y Jueves de 6:30 a 8:30 PM y vía telefónica llamando al (732) 356-0027 ext 6.

DURANTE ESTA SEMANA

CURSO DE BIBLIA

Es muy importante la formación bíblica para todos nosotros, de esta manera nadie nos podrá engañar con sus cuentos baratos.

Todos son bienvenidos a participar del curso de estudio de Biblia con la hermana Lucia todos los Miércoles de 6:30 a 8:00 PM. en la oficina parroquial.

DIVINA MISERICORDIA

Todos los Jueves a las 7:30 PM. se reúnen en la Capilla el grupo de la Divina Misericordia. Para mas información llamar a Jorge Romero al (732) 900-4315.

CIRCULO DE ORACIÓN

Todos los Sábados a las 6:30 PM se reúne el círculo de oración en la Capilla. Para más información pueden llamar a Gabriela Alpizar al (908) 342-0780 o Maribel Alfaro al (908) 450-7110. **¡Los esperamos!**

CLASES DE CONFIRMACION DE ADULTOS

Si usted o alguien que usted conoce le gustaría recibir el Sacramento de la Confirmación, le invitamos a asistir a las sesiones que se tendrán los jueves a las 7:30 PM en la Capilla partir del 29 de Enero. Favor ponerse en contacto con la hermana Lucia para más detalles: Sr.Lucia@sjcbb.net.

SANTÍSIMO

Adoración del Santísimo Sacramento se llevará a cabo el primer viernes del mes, Febrero 6 en la Capilla de la Natividad después de la misa de 8:30 AM. La jornada concluirá con la oración y bendición a las 1:00 PM. Venga a descansar en la presencia de Jesús.



UNA VEZ AL MES

Recuerde que el próximo fin de semana, el segundo del mes, es la recolección de alimentos para la familias mas necesitada de nuestra Parroquia, alimentos sugeridos: aceite, pastas, arroz, latas de vegetales, de tomates etc. Así como donaciones de dinero para comprar lacteos, carne y verduras frescas, el cheque debe hacerse a Starfish, y mandarlo por correo a **Starfish , P.O. Box 149, Bound Brook, NJ 08805**. Ayudemos a quienes tienen menos que nosotros, aunque parezca mínima la contribución es mucho para quienes no tienen nada.



INTENCIONES DE ORACIÓN DEL SANTO PADRE

**CONFIADAS AL APOSTOLADO
DE LA ORACIÓN PARA EL 2015**

Febrero

Universal: Encarcelados

Para que los encarcelados, en especial los jóvenes, tengan la posibilidad de reconstruir una vida digna.

Por la Evangelización: Cónyuges separados.

Para que los cónyuges que se han separado encuentren acogida y apoyo en la comunidad cristiana.

TALLERES DE ORACIÓN Y VIDA

IGLESIA ST. JOSEPH

Les invita a un taller de oración y vida, del Padre Ignacio Larrañaga, OFM. Donde podrán establecer una relación más estrecha con Jesús a través de su Palabra y oración profunda.

Fecha: Jueves, 26 de Febrero de 2015

Hora: 7:30 PM

Lugar: Upper Room de la Capilla

Para inscripciones y mayor información se pueden comunicar con Harley Mora 732- 610-1521 ó Henry Gómez al 732-904-8551.

INTENCION DE MISA 2015

Todavía quedan Misas disponibles en el libro para este año 2015. Si usted desea pedir una Misa, por favor pase por la oficina de la parroquia Martes o Jueves de 6:30 a 8:30 PM. hablar con la señora Martha.



Tenga en cuenta: La Diócesis requiere que todas las Intención de Misas deben ser pagadas en el momento de solicitarlas.

NOTA IMPORTANTE

El edificio de la escuela Holy Family Academy se vendió al Distrito Escolar de Bound Brook. Una disposición de esa venta por la Iglesia de St. Joseph es tener uso del edificio para nuestro programa de Educación Religiosa.

La renovación del edificio comenzará a mediados de enero y el edificio se reabrirá para todos nuestros estudiantes en septiembre de 2015.

Durante esta renovación, **NO VAMOS A PODER USAR EL EDIFICIO**. Desde el 12 de enero 2015 nuestras clases de catecismo se estarán realizando en la Escuela Lafayette, 50 West High Street, Bound Brook por el resto del año escolar.

Por favor tengan paciencia con nosotros durante este período de transición.

Reflexiones para meditar

TALLER DE ORACIÓN

Si quieres que una planta tenga vida, debes regarla. Si deseas mostrar que quieres a una persona, debes decírselo. Si cortas las raíces de un árbol, el árbol se muere. Eso pasa con la oración. La oración es vida para nuestro espíritu y es el medio para decirle a Dios... Te amo.

La oración es tan necesaria en nuestra vida espiritual como lo es respirar para nuestra vida del cuerpo. Desgraciadamente, muchos intentan encontrar a Dios a través de caminos erróneos como la meditación trascendental, la dianética, la cienciaología, las técnicas orientales de meditación y relajación, la quiromancia y la adivinación.

En todos estos casos, se habla del espíritu y de un ser superior, un dios cósmico, un dios presente en los elementos que conforman el universo y los ejercicios que realizan los centran en ellos mismos, pues buscan como único fruto "sentirse bien", estar en paz con ellos mismos.

La oración cristiana es muy diferente a estas técnicas que están de moda, porque es una oración personal (de persona a persona) en la que nosotros hablamos con Dios que nos creó, nos conoce y que nos ama. Nuestro Dios es una persona, no algo etéreo como el cosmos o el universo.

No es un dios "cósmico", es un Dios con el que podemos dialogar de persona a persona porque nos conoce a cada uno y sabe qué es lo que necesitamos. Dios es un Padre que nos ama, y con la oración nosotros participamos de su amor. Es un Padre que llena de bendiciones a sus hijos. La oración cristiana da frutos, no sólo con uno mismo sino con los demás, nos hace crecer en el amor a Dios y a los hombres.

Algunos quizá, hayamos alguna vez intentado orar con toda nuestra buena voluntad, pero los esfuerzos que hicimos no dieron el fruto que esperábamos y terminamos abandonando la desanimados y oración. ¿Por qué nos pasa esto? Porque no sabemos orar, necesitamos aprender a orar. Si aprendemos a orar, encontraremos en Dios la respuesta a todas nuestras inquietudes, encontraremos la paz espiritual y nuestro corazón se encontrará lleno de energía para dar amor a los demás.

La oración ilumina y fermenta toda nuestra vida y nos hace crecer interiormente. Dios se convierte en un Alguien en nuestras vidas y no es sólo una "idea" sin vida. El diálogo continuo con Dios se vuelve parte de nuestra vida cotidiana.