

Parish Ministries

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Parish Services

Parish Office: Open Monday through Thursday from 9:00 AM-4:00 PM (closed 12:00-1:30 PM for lunch). Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings from 6:30-8:30 PM

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

Church: 111 East High Street (corner of 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.

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 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, 12:00 PM in the Chapel.

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.

New Parishioners

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.

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.

Holy Savior Academy

*The Middlebrook Deanery
Catholic School*

(Grades Pre-K through 8)
149 South Plainfield Avenue
South Plainfield, NJ 07080
(908) 822-5890

www.holysavioracademy.cc
Mrs. Melinda Hanlon, Principal



Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 20, 2016



Masses/Penance for the Week

Monday, November 21, 2016

8:30 AM* Felix William Gleason, request of Ray Gleason

Tuesday, November 22, 2016

8:30 AM* People of the Parish

Wednesday, November 23, 2016

8:30 AM* World Peace

6:15 PM* Penance

7:00 PM* Hillsinger and Walker Grandparents,
request of family

Thursday, November 24, 2016 - Thanksgiving Day Bilingual Mass in the Main Church

9:00 AM Lew and Barbara Moore, request of
Ray Gleason

Friday, November 25, 2016

8:30 AM* Kathryn and Jacob Schurdak, request of
Ed and Terry Schurdak

Saturday, November 26, 2016

8:30 AM* Robert Sadukas, request of the
Goodrich family

4:00 PM Penance

5:00 PM Ann Lombardo, request of the
DeGhetto family

7:00 PM Lorenzo Arias, request of wife and children

Sunday, November 27, 2016

8:00 AM Edward J. Zujkowski, request of wife

10:00 AM E. Arthur Gleason, request of family

12:00 PM Domingo Rovitto, request of son and family

*Masses/penance are held in the Chapel

Next Sunday's Readings

First Sunday of Advent

Reading 1: Isaiah 2: 1-5

They shall beat their swords into
plowshares.

Reading 2: Romans 13: 11-14

Now is the hour to awake from sleep.

Gospel: Matthew 24: 37-44

The Son of Man will come at an hour you
least expect

This Week

No Religious Education November 21, 22 and 23

Monday, November 21, 2016

7:00-9:00 PM Divine Mercy Formation in the
Upper Room

Tuesday, November 22, 2016

7:00-9:00 PM Spanish Prayer Group in the Library

Thursday, November 24, 2016 - Parish Office Closed

Friday, November 25, 2016 - Parish Office Closed

6:00-8:00 PM Youth Group in the Upper Room

Saturday, November 26, 2016

5:00-6:30 PM Spanish RICA in the Library

7:00-9:00 PM Spanish Prayer Group in the Chapel

Sunday, November 27, 2016

10:45 AM Religious Education – First Eucharist
preparation in the Upper Room

11 AM-1 PM English RCIA in the Library

Prayer for Victims of Terrorism

Loving God, Welcome into your arms the victims of
violence and terrorism. Comfort their families and all
who grieve for them. Help us in our fear and
uncertainty, and bless us with the knowledge that we
are secure in your love. Strengthen all those who work
for peace, and may the peace the world
cannot give reign in our hearts.



Prayer for Our Military

Father, keep our servicemen and women
physically safe and healthy, and guard
them from the evil one. Help them resist all temptation,
be a shield around them, and guard them as the apple of
Your eye. In the powerful name of Jesus we pray, amen.

Sanctuary Lamp Memorial

November 21-27, 2016

In memory of

V. J. Spurduto

Request of wife



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

If you or someone you know would like to hear more about Jesus and His church, we invite you to join us at an Inquiry Session. Inquiry Sessions are opportunities to ask questions about God, Jesus, the Catholic Church, the Mass, Saints, Sacraments, prayer, etc. The sessions DO NOT expect or require a commitment to join the Catholic Church. They are informal conversations about any questions you may have. We welcome any and all inquiries about the Catholic Faith. In addition, if you wish to be baptized into the Catholic Faith, you are already baptized and wish to receive the other Sacraments of Initiation, or you come to us from another faith wishing to become a fully initiated member of the Catholic Church, then we invite you to join RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). RCIA is the process which will lead you to Baptism (for those unbaptized), Eucharist, and Confirmation. For more information about sessions in English, please contact Deacon Gary Newton at Deacon.Gary@sjccb.net or for sessions in Spanish, contact Sr. Susana Islas at Sr.Susana@sjccb.net.



Mount St. Mary House of Prayer

Mount St. Mary House of Prayer, Watchung, will offer the following program:

The Coming of the Lord,

Viewed Through an Immaculate Prism, Mary

An Advent evening of recollection with reflections on the Blessed Mother, followed by time for personal prayer and meditation.

Date: Wednesday, November 30

Time: 5:30-9:00 PM (Includes supper)

Location: 1651 U.S. Highway 22, Watchung, NJ 07069

Cost: \$45-\$55 As You Are Able

Registration Required: Call (908) 753-2091 or e-mail msmhope@msmhope.org

Presenter: Jim Choma

Assisted Suicide Bill

The full Assembly voted on A2451, the Physician Assisted Suicide bill on October 20, 2016, and it passed 41-28.

Action Needed! Call the state senator for this area, Senator Michael J. Doherty at (908) 722-2427 and urge him to vote NO on A2451/S2474. Then call Governor Chris Christie at (609) 292-6000 and urge him to veto A2451/S2474 if it reaches his desk. To send a prewritten letter to your State Senator, visit:

<http://njcatholic.org/faith-in-action>.



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St. Joseph Catholic Church, Bound Brook, NJ

Sunday Offering

The Week Ended November 13, 2016

Regular Collection: \$ 4,108.00

Building and Maintenance: \$ 1,496.00

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

Thanksgiving Day Mass

A bilingual Thanksgiving Day Mass will be held on Thursday, November 24 at 9:00 AM in the Main Church.

Attention Youth!

Join us for our new youth group, *Youth United in Christ!*



We meet every Friday from 6:00-8:00 PM in the Upper Room. If you have questions please call (732) 648-5775.

Christmas Party for Persons with Disabilities

Our Diocesan Office for Persons with Disabilities is sponsoring a "Christmas Party" for children and young adults with special needs on Saturday, December 17 from 1:30-3:30 PM at the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center, 146 Metlars Lane, Piscataway, NJ. Please indicate your interest in attending as well as the total number of people in your party by emailing catholicswithdisabilities@gmail.com or by calling (732) 765-6432 as soon as possible.

Gift Card Donations

For the Persons with Disabilities Christmas Party

The Office of Persons with Disabilities is asking for gift card donations to be used as gifts at the Persons with Disabilities Christmas party. Gift cards from ShopRite, Walmart, Walgreens, CVS and Target would be ideal. Please send the gift cards no later than December 9 to Fr. Hillier / Diocese of Metuchen / Office for Persons with Disabilities / PO Box 191 / Metuchen, NJ 08840.

Union Catholic H.S. Scholarship

The Union Catholic High Scholarship Exam will be held on Saturday, December 3, 2016 at 9:00 AM and Sunday, December 4, 2016 at 1:00 PM. There is no make-up for this exam. The exam fee is \$30. To register for the Scholarship exam and for more information regarding scholarship opportunities, call the Admissions Office at (908) 889-1600, ext. 302 or 328 or visit our website at <http://m.unioncatholic.org/admissions>.

Music Ministry

Your talent is appreciated!

The Music Ministry is in need of your voice and talents! To sing in the choir or if you have any questions, contact Maritza in person or email

Maritza.Alvarez@sjcbb.net.

Rehearsals are on Thursday evenings.

5:30 Children's Choir • 6:30 Bell Choir • 7:30 Choir

Instrumentalists are welcome in the Choir rehearsal.

All are welcome!



Jesse Tree

As part of our preparation for Christmas and as a parish family, this year we will again have the annual Jesse Tree. The tree will be in the Narthex of the Church beginning November 26 and 27. Jesse Tree tags contain a gift suggestion (please, new items only; no toy guns or items which require batteries). All gifts should be returned back to the Jesse Tree during the weekend of December 10 and 11 with the Jesse Tree tag taped to the box so they can be distributed to needy families. **Please do not wrap the gift, since it will have to be re-opened for distribution.**

Monetary donations are also welcome to purchase shoes and winter coats. Please make your check payable to "Food Bank Network of Somerset County." If you know of families in need, please notify the parish office. Thanks to all those who participate.



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Parish Giving

St. Joseph Parish now offers *Parish Giving*, a new online option for donating to the Sunday collection.

It's Simple: Log on to the St. Joseph Parish website www.sjcbb.net and click on the Parish Giving Logo. Follow the easy registration instructions.

It's Secure: Parish Giving is PCI compliant and uses the strongest SSL encryption technology available.

Tax Benefits: You will be able to print out a report detailing your contributions for the year.

Parishioner Benefits: Weekly or monthly contribution choices. Ability to choose the date and frequency of contributions.

Parish Mission

I would like to invite all parishioners and church organizations, such as the Rosarians, CIAM, Divine Mercy, and Spanish Prayer Group to our Parish Mission to be held from December 4-7. The mission will be led by Bill Wegner, a Catholic Lay Evangelist. Following is the schedule to be held in the Main Church.

Dec. 4 7:00 PM Conference

Dec. 5 & 6 8:30 AM Mass
9:00 AM Conference
7:00 PM Conference

Dec. 7 8:30 AM Mass
9:00 AM Conference
6:00 PM Confessions
7:00 PM Mass
7:30 PM Conference/refreshments



I hope to see you there. It will truly be a time of renewal and rejoicing for our community. And remember to bring a friend!

Yours in Christ, Fr. Al

New Liturgical Year

After the Sunday of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (November 20), liturgical year C will end and the new liturgical year A will begin the following weekend. Therefore, the memorial acclamation will change to "**We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your resurrection until you come again.**" Please make a note of it.

New Procedures at Mass

As we begin the New Liturgical Year A, and after discussing this with the parish council, we will greet one another before Mass, make the announcements at the beginning of Mass, and greet the celebrant saying the Mass. We are in the process of rebuilding our parish. After visiting a church in Timonium, Maryland, we will try to follow some of the formats that the book *Rebuilt* suggests. We will also include the shorter length of the homilies.



Lectura Para el Próximo Domingo

Primer Domingo de Adviento

Primera Lectura: Isaías 2: 1- 5

De las espadas forjarán arados y de las lanzas, podaderas.

Segunda Lectura: Romanos 13: 11-14

Ya es hora de que se despierten del sueño.

Evangelio: Mateo 24: 37-44

El Hijo del Hombre vendrá a la hora que menos lo piensen.

Avisos a la Comunidad

Confesiones

Las confesiones se realizan en inglés y español los siguientes días:

- **Sábados** de 4:00 a 4:45 PM en la Iglesia.
- **Miércoles** de 6:15 a 6:45 PM en la Capilla.

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.

Durante esta Semana

Divina Misericordia

Todos los jueves a las 7:00 PM se reúne en la Capilla el grupo de la Divina Misericordia. Cada tercer jueves del mes se tiene Hora Santa. Para más información llamar a José Molina al (732) 824-9570 o Luis Méndez (732) 766-6647.

Círculo de Oración

Todos los sábados a las 6:30 PM se reúne el círculo de oración en la Capilla. **¡Los esperamos!**

¡Atención Jóvenes!

Jesús te está llamando, **Jóvenes Unidos en Cristo!**

Ven a unirte al grupo para compartir juntos el amor que Jesús tiene para nosotros a través del culto, la construcción de la fe, de la comunidad, divulgación y la diversión. Únete a nosotros los viernes de 6:00-8:00 PM en lo alto del centro parroquial. ¡No te olvides de traer a un amigo!



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Tome Nota

La Hermana Susana Islas atiende la oficina parroquial los lunes y miércoles de 9:45 a 11:45 AM y de 1:30 a 4:30 PM, jueves de 2:30 a 9:00 PM y viernes de 9:45 a 12:00 del mediodía, para los que deseen hablarle. Para hacer una cita con la Hermana llame al teléfono (732) 356-0027 ext. 2.

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 o a su correo deacon.gustavo@sjcbb.net.

La Sra. Martha Rovitto atiende en la oficina Parroquial (donde está la Capilla) todo lo relacionado con Misas, bautismos, registros parroquiales y certificados. Ella está en la oficina todos los martes, miércoles y jueves de 6:30 a 8:30 PM y vía telefónica llamando al (732) 356-0027 ext. 6.

Ana Valencia la asistente del programa de Educación Religiosa (CCD) está todos los jueves de 6:30 a 8:30 PM en la oficina Parroquial, para las personas que necesiten consultar sobre sus niños que están en la catequesis.



Rito de Iniciación Cristiana de los Adultos

Si usted o alguien que usted conoce le gustaría escuchar más acerca de Jesús y su iglesia, le invitamos a unirse a nosotros en una Sesión de Información del RICA. Si usted desea ser bautizado en una Iglesia Católica, o si ya está bautizado y desea recibir los otros sacramentos de iniciación, o viene a nosotros de otra fe y desea ser plenamente iniciado como miembro de la Iglesia Católica, entonces le invitamos a unirse a RICA (Rito de Iniciación Cristiana de Adultos). RICA es el proceso que le llevará al Bautismo (por los no bautizados), Eucaristía y Confirmación. Caminemos juntos en un camino de la fe. Para más información acerca de las sesiones en Inglés, por favor contactar con el diácono Gary Newton a Deacon.Gary@sjccb.net o para sesiones en español, comuníquese con la Hermana Susana Islas a Sr.Susana@sjcbb.net, o ir en persona a la oficina Parroquial martes, miércoles o jueves de 6:30 a 8:30 PM.

Misión Parroquial

Del 4-7 de diciembre, la Parroquia St. Joseph estará patrocinando una misión parroquial. Esta misión será conducida por el seglar católico Bill Wagner, del Good News International. Será un momento especial de renovación espiritual para toda la comunidad. ¡Haga planes para asistir! Invite a un familiar o a un amigo.

Día de Acción de Gracias



Misa y bendición de los alimentos. **El jueves 24 a las 9:00 de la mañana tendremos la Misa de Acción de Gracias Bilingüe en la iglesia.** El Padre Alfonso estará obsequiando un pan bendito y una oración especial para que usted pueda disfrutar en la

mesa de Acción de Gracias. Como ha sido nuestra costumbre en el pasado, invitamos a todos los que deseen traer algunos artículos de alimentos que se utilizarán para preparar la comida de Acción de Gracias. Deben ser colocados delante del altar, y habrá una bendición especial de los alimentos durante la Misa. Unámonos para dar gracias a Dios Todopoderoso por todas las bendiciones que hemos recibido durante el año.

Mensaje del Padre Al Aclamación Memorial

A partir del domingo 27 de noviembre dará principio el año litúrgico ciclo "A" y, se cambiará nuestro formato de aclamación memorial al formato del año "A" y se dirá: **"Anunciamos tu Muerte, proclamamos tu Resurrección ¡Ven Señor Jesús!"**

Favor de recordarlo.

Nuevos Procedimientos en la Misa

Al comenzar el Año Nuevo Litúrgico "A", y después de haber hablado esto con el consejo parroquial, nos saludaremos antes de la misa, los anuncios se harán al comienzo de la Misa, y saludaremos al celebrante que preside la Misa.

Estamos en el proceso de reconstruir nuestra parroquia. Después de visitar una iglesia en Timonium, Maryland, trataremos de seguir algunos de los formatos que el libro Rebuilt sugiere. También incluiremos la duración de las homilias más corta.

Importante Anuncio

La Oficina del Ministerio Hispano en colaboración con el Tribunal Diocesano está planeando una presentación sobre las **Anulaciones** para aquellos que están divorciados y ven la posibilidad de iniciar el proceso de una declaración eclesial de invalidez sobre su matrimonio previo. La presentación será en español o bilingüe de acuerdo a la necesidad. Mas información de lugar y fecha se darán en el próximo boletín.

Rosario a La Virgen María

El sábado 3 de diciembre se inicia la novena a la Virgen de Guadalupe. La novena se llevará a cabo en las casas, las personas que deseen que la Virgen los visite y esté interesada favor de hablar con la hermana Susana.

Fiesta de La Virgen de Guadalupe

El domingo 11 de diciembre, tendremos la celebración de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe Emperatriz de América con la celebración de la Eucaristía a las 9:00 PM en la Iglesia. Después de la misa, tendremos: serenata a la Virgen, mañanitas con Mariachis, ofrecimiento de flores, cánticos, música, y convivio. Todos son bienvenidos.

¡Ven a festejar el Día de Nuestra Virgen Morena!

Posadas

Tendremos las tradicionales posadas desde el 16 de diciembre en el Upper Room de la Capilla a las 7:00 PM. En este tiempo reflexionaremos en lo que es un peregrinar y no tener donde hospedarse. Jesús, María, y José fueron de casa en casa pidiendo posada ahora te la pide a ti. Todos son bienvenidos a prepararnos para la venida del Señor Jesús.

Arbol de Navidad

Desde el próximo fin de semana, como parte de nuestra preparación para la Navidad como familia parroquial, nuevamente tendremos el árbol de Navidad con los ornamentos de papel, en los que tendrán escritos los nombres de regalos, (por favor que sean nuevos, si el juguete necesita batería ponerlo aparte y con una nota, gracias). Tome uno y traiga el regalo con el ornamento de papel pegado a la caja, **por favor no lo envuelva, para mejor distribución.** También son bienvenidas las donaciones monetarias para compra de zapatos o abrigos; por favor haga el cheque a **"Food Bank Network of Somerset Country"** favor de traer el regalo a fines de la semana del 10 y 11 de Diciembre, para que estos regalos sean distribuidos a familias necesitadas esta Navidad. Si usted conoce de familias necesitadas, por favor infórmelo a la oficina parroquial. Muchas gracias por su participación.



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