

PARISH MINISTRIES AND SERVICES

St. Joseph Parish

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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

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Emergencies Only: (732) 356-8936

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• 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.

Baptism of the Lord

Sunday, January 11, 2015



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, JANUARY 12, 2015

8:30 AM Jack Ford, request of Joyce Peppe

TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2015

8:30 AM Jerome P. Kehoe, request of Irene Gyori

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2015

8:30 AM Angelo Montante, request of Elaine and Louis Pilato

7:30 PM Al C. Majerus, request of Bill Hillsinger, brother-in-law

THURSDAY, JANUARY 15, 2015

8:30 AM People of the Parish

FRIDAY, JANUARY 16, 2015

8:30 AM Daniel Dombry, request of Wayne and Robin Straub

SATURDAY, JANUARY 17, 2015

8:30 AM Ann Bodor, request of Robert and Eleanor Burrows

5:00 PM Jack Awtry, Jr., request of wife, children and grandchildren

SUNDAY, JANUARY 18, 2015

8:00 AM Joanna Perone and Ralph Perone, Sr., request of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wendt

10:00 AM Fred Swallow, request of Ann Kosco

12:00 PM Julio Enrique Morillo and Francisco Xavier Morillo, request of Morillo Haro family

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Reading 1: Jonah 3:1–5, 10

The Ninevites turned from their evil way.

Reading 2: 1 Corinthians 7:29–31

The word in its present form is passing away.

Gospel: Mark 1:14–20

Repent and believe in the gospel.

THIS WEEK

MONDAY, JANUARY 12, 2015

1:00 PM Rosary Altar Society Meeting in the Community Room of the Church

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

TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2015

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

7:00-9:00 PM Spanish Bible Class in the Upper Room

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2015

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

6:30-8:30 PM Spanish Bible Class in the Upper Room

THURSDAY, JANUARY 15, 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
7:30 PM Spanish Divine Mercy in the Chapel

FRIDAY, JANUARY 16, 2015

9:30-10:30 AM Holy Hour of Prayer for Priests in the Upper Room

SATURDAY, JANUARY 17, 2015

6:00-7:00 PM Spanish RICA in the Library
6:00-9:30 PM Spanish Prayer Group in the Chapel

SANCTUARY LAMP MEMORIAL

January 12-18, 2015

In memory of

Marie Giarretta

Request of Peter and Pat Costantini

SUNDAY OFFERING

The Week Ended:	12/21/14	12/28/14	01/04/15
Ordinary Offertory	\$6,650	\$10,181	\$6,308
Parish Ordinary Expenses*	(\$6,111)	(\$6,111)	(\$6,111)
We operated at a surplus of:	\$ 539	\$ 4,070	\$ 197
* Annual Weekly Average			
Together in Charity	\$1,680		

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

BISHOP TO BE HONORED AT CATHOLIC EDUCATION DINNER

The Most Reverend Paul G. Bootkoski, Bishop of the Diocese of Metuchen, will be presented the *St. John Neumann Award* at the 2015 **Catholic School Education Dinner** being held on **April 14th** at the **Hyatt Regency** in New Brunswick. The award, which is named for the "Father of the Parochial School System," is given to an individual who has demonstrated extraordinary leadership, commitment and dedication to promoting Catholic school education in the Diocese of Metuchen. The proceeds from the Dinner benefit the Foundation for Catholic Education Scholarship Fund. For tickets, sponsorship opportunities and information about the basket auction and raffle, go to the diocese website at: <http://tinyurl.com/2015EdDinner>, Email educationdinner15@diometuchen.org or call (732) 562-2452.

HOLY HOUR OF PRAYER FOR PRIESTS



Come join us in prayer for our priests and priestly vocations this **Friday, January 16, from 9:30 - 10:30 AM** in the Upper Room. **Fr. Marco Cesares** will lead the Holy Hour this month. All are welcome.

BISHOP'S APPEAL STATUS

To date, the Development Department has received pledges totaling \$26,686 and payments totaling \$22,077 from 154 parishioners. This represents 64% of our \$41,700 goal. Thank you for your efforts!

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

"After me comes he who is mightier than I, the thong of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie." – **Mark 1:7**

We are put on this earth to love God, love our neighbor and make disciples. How many times does our own pride and ego get in the way on fulfilling God's plan for us? Humbling ourselves before God and putting Him first in all things should be our top priority.

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

"THANK YOU"



The membership of the Rosary Altar Society would like to extend a warm "Thank You" to all those who helped make our Christmas Cookie Bake Sale such a big success!

The generosity and support of all those who baked and donated plates of cookies, those who purchased them, and those who made monetary donations is greatly appreciated! Without your support, we wouldn't be able to continue our work in the parish.

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING

The next meeting of the Rosary Altar Society will be held on **Monday, January 12**. The meeting will begin at 1:00 PM and will be held in the Community Room in the church.

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.

PEPPERONI BREAD

The Christ In Action Ministry (CIAM) will be making and selling pepperoni bread once again this year. We will be taking orders after each weekend Mass until January 24. Breads will be available on the weekend of January 31/February 1 – just in time for your Superbowl party!

As in the past, this specialty is a fundraiser to enable us to furnish the transportation to our annual Parish Retreat in September. We appreciate the support we have received in the past, and we promise a tasty addition to your Superbowl gathering (If you can't eat them right away, they can remain frozen until you need them.)

CCD BULLETIN SIGNING

As you are well aware, I require all CCD students to have the Church Bulletin signed every week and bring it to class. I ask that you please be patient, as we have many children. If you lend me your pen, you can find it in the Sacristy the following week. I ask all CCD teachers to please help me sign the bulletins. You know your students better than I, and when signing a Church Bulletin, the child does not have to be in your class. Thanks for all the help you can provide. Fr. Al

MESSAGES FROM FR. AL

My dear parishioners here at St. Joseph's,

I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude in all your well wishes, Christmas cards, and gifts. You are very kind and are spoiling your pastor, but I don't mind. It was really a joy to see you at the Christmas Masses and to see how our joint efforts beautified our Christmas decorations at the Church. Once again, thanks a million.



VISIT OF THE THREE KINGS

It was quite an experience to see the Three Kings here at our parish. Quite frankly, I was delighted to see how some people from our Spanish Community dressed up as the Three Kings and celebrated Epiphany with all by providing candy to all our children. All of our children and young teenagers were very excited to be part of this. Thank you very much.



PARISH CIAM OUTREACH – COOKIE TRAYS FOR THE HOMEBOUND

I am very happy to see St. Joseph parish involved in the Christ in Action ministry. This past Monday, some of our parishioners involved in the CIAM prepared cookie trays for our homebound parishioners. I am proud to be part of such a caring community. Keep up the good work.

In addition, the CIAM would like to express their thanks to ALL who responded to their request for cookies. Thanks to you, the CIAM prepared **45 plates** which are being delivered this weekend by our Eucharistic Ministers as they make their visits to the homebound members of our Parish. Thanks for letting them know we care!

PARKING LOT OBSERVATIONS

I would appreciate if parishioners that park in our parking lot at the Main Church be more considerate to all trying to park in available parking spaces. Spaces are very limited, and we need to use all the available spaces. Therefore, if you need to park right at the entrance, only one side of the entrance is allowed, so please don't park on the side next to the Handicap parking. We need an entrance for emergency vehicles, and if something happens to anyone during Mass, the ambulance needs to get in. I recently could not get into the parking lot to park my car, because someone was blocking the entrance. There were six free spaces behind that car. Please do not do this! If you need to leave immediately following Mass, please park on the street, use the Verizon parking lot, or the parking lot by the School/Chapel. There is plenty of room there. Also, I ask you to please not park in front of the Church and leave your car unattended, as it is an emergency hazard. Thank you for your cooperation. Fr. Al

LECTURAS PARA EL PRÓXIMO DOMINGO

BAUTISMO DEL SEÑOR

Segundo Domingo Ordinario

Primera Lectura: 1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19

Habla, Señor, tu siervo te escucha.

Segunda Lectura: 1 Corintios 6:13-15, 17-20

Los cuerpos de ustedes son miembros de Cristo.

Evangelio: Juan 1:35-42

Vieron dónde vivía y se quedaron con él.

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 P.M. 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 Lucía 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 más 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. Favor ponerse en contacto con la hermana Lucia para más detalles sr.lucia@sjccb.net.

ENCUENTRO MATRIMONIAL MUNDIAL

¿Necesita el regalo perfecto para su pareja para el Día de Los Enamorados?

Dele el regalo de su tiempo y amor al asistir juntos a un fin de semana del Encuentro Matrimonial Mundial. El corto fin de semana juntos puede cosechar muchos beneficios para usted, su pareja y toda su familia. El próximo fin de semana, 31 de Marzo y 1º de Febrero.

Lugar: Holiday Inn- Saddle Brook, 129 Pehle Avenue, Saddle Brook, NJ 07665. Reservación del Hotel, deposito \$100.00. Para más información o para inscribirse llame al teléfono (732) 910-3057 o (201) 707-8583.

INTENCION DE MISA 2015

El libro de intenciones de las Misas para el año 2015 está abierto. 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 Intenciones de Misas deben ser pagadas en el momento de solicitarlas.

MENSAJE DEL PADRE AL

Mis queridos feligreses aquí de St. Joseph,

Me gustaría aprovechar esta oportunidad para expresar mi gratitud por todos sus buenos deseos, tarjetas de Navidad y regalos. Son ustedes muy amables y están echando a perder tu pastor, pero no me importa. Fue realmente una alegría ver que en las Misas de Navidad y ver cómo nuestros esfuerzos conjuntos embellecieron nuestra Iglesia con las nuestras decoraciones de Navidad. Una vez más, un millón de gracias.



VISITA DE LOS TRES REYES MAGOS

Fue toda una experiencia ver a los Reyes Magos aquí en nuestra parroquia. Francamente, yo estaba encantado de ver cómo algunas personas de nuestra Comunidad hispana vestidos como los Reyes Magos y celebrando la Epifanía con todos proporcionando dulces para todos nuestros niños. Todos nuestros niños y jóvenes adolescentes estaban muy emocionado de ser parte de esta tradición. Muchas gracias.

ALCANCE PARROQUIAL CIAM – PLATOS DE GALLETAS PARA LOS ENFERMOS



Estoy muy feliz de ver a la parroquia St. Joseph participar en el Ministerio Cristo en Acción. El pasado lunes algunos de nuestros feligreses que participan en el CIAM prepararon bandejas de galletas para nuestros feligreses que no pueden salir de casa. Me siento orgulloso de ser parte de una comunidad tan cariñosa. Sigamos con el buen trabajo.

Además, el CIAM desea expresar su agradecimiento a todos los que respondieron a su solicitud de galletas. Gracias a usted, el CIAM preparó 45 platos que se estarán entregando este fin de semana por nuestros Ministros de la Eucaristía, ya que hacen sus visitas a los miembros que no pueden salir de casa de nuestra Parroquia. Gracias por hacerles saber que ellos nos importan!

OBSERVACIONES PARA EL ESTACIONAMIENTO

Les agradecería si los feligreses que se estacionan en nuestro estacionamiento en la Iglesia Principal ser más considerado por los demás tratando de estacionar en los lugares disponibles. Nuestros espacios son muy limitados, y tenemos que utilizar todos los espacios disponibles. Por lo tanto, si usted necesita estacionarse justo en la entrada, sólo se permitirá un lado de la entrada, así que por favor no se estacione en el lado junto al estacionamiento de la discapacitados. Necesitamos una entrada para cualquier vehículo de emergencia, y si algo le sucede a cualquier persona dentro de la Misa, la ambulancia tiene que entrar. Hace poco tuve cinco minutos para llegar a la iglesia, y yo no pude entrar en el estacionamiento para estacionar mi coche, porque alguien estaba bloqueando la entrada. Hubo seis espacios libres detrás de ese coche. ¡Por favor, no haga eso! Si tiene que salir de inmediato después de la Misa, estacione en la calle o use el estacionamiento Verizon o en el estacionamiento de la Escuela / capilla, hay mucho espacio allí. Además, les pido que por favor no se estacionen en frente de la Iglesia, tampoco dejar el coche sin vigilancia, es un peligro en una emergencia. Gracias por su cooperación. Padre Al.