

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

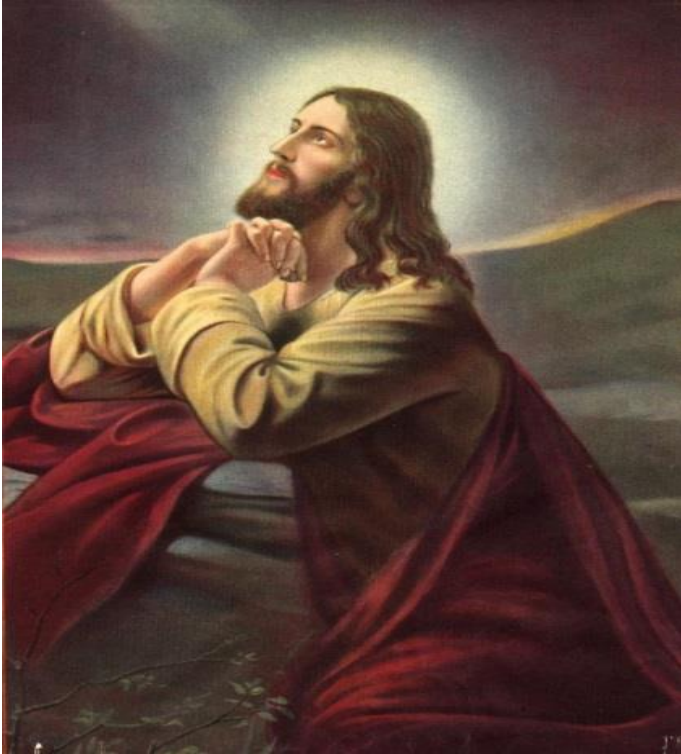
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Catholic School*

(Grades Pre-K through 8)
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Mrs. Melinda Hanlon, Principal



Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 24, 2016



Masses/Penance for the Week

Monday, July 25, 2016

8:30 AM* For the recovery of Bart Sena,
 request of Irene Gyori

Tuesday, July 26, 2016

8:30 AM* Bernadette Dombey, request of
 Joe Hepler and daughter

Wednesday, July 27, 2016

8:30 AM* People of the Parish
 6:15 PM* Penance
 7:00 PM* James Geiger, request of
 Katherine and George Anderson

Thursday, July 28, 2016

8:30 AM* Katrina Slater, request of
 Katherine and George Anderson

Friday, July 29, 2016

8:30 AM* World Peace

Saturday, July 30, 2016

8:30 AM* Elma Newby, request of Composecure
 4:00 PM Penance
 5:00 PM George Barile, request of
 Bart and Ginny DeMato
 7:00 PM Carlos Ruiz, request of wife and children

Sunday, July 31, 2016

8:00 AM Bridgie and Pat McAndrew, request of
 Mary Patten
 10:00 AM Robert Martin, request of Mom
 12:00 PM Jose Jesus Campos, request of Chavez family

*Masses/penance are held in the Chapel

Next Sunday's Readings

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading 1: Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23

All things are vanity!

Reading 2: Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11

In Christ you have died. In Christ you have
 been raised up.

Gospel: Luke 12:13-21

Avoid greed in all its forms.

This Week

Thursday, July 28, 2016

7:00 PM Divine Mercy in the Chapel

Friday, July 29, 2016

6:00-8:00 PM Youth United in Christ! In the
 Upper Room

"Sweeter even than to have had the joy of children of
 my own has it been for me to help bring about a better
 state of things for mothers generally, so that their
 unborn little ones could not be willed away from
 them." *Susan B. Anthony*

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.

It's Official - Pokemon

St. Joseph Church has been made a
 Pokemon lure/site. Everyone is
 welcome to look for Pokemon in
 church.



Sunday Offering

The Week Ended July 17

Regular Collection: \$ 4,736.00

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

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, or 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.

Volunteer Mentors

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen Connections Program is seeking volunteer mentors. Both male and female mentors are needed to participate in one-to-one activities and be a role model to a youth. Do you: (1) have a minimum of three hours per week to offer a child? (2) Like having fun? (3) Reside in or near Middlesex County and Franklin Township? (4) Want to make a difference in a child's life? (5) Enjoy being a positive role model?

Then call Jeanette Cullen at (732) 738-1323 or email jcullen@ccdom.org for more information.

Mount St. Mary House of Prayer

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

Growing in Wholeness Through the Five Universal Shapes

Do you know that shapes have meanings? Have fun as you discover what they are and what they reveal about your personality. Presenter: Mary Jo Kearns, RSM
Wednesday, July 20, 7:00-9:00 PM.

Registration required. Call (908) 753-2091 or e-mail: mshhope@mshhope.org (\$20-\$30 As You Are Able)

Our Lady of Guadalupe

St Frances Cabrini will be hosting a Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine in Mexico over the Feast Day. December 8-13, 2016. \$1,999.00 per person including air from Newark. Breakfast, lunch and dinner daily. Holy Mass every day. For a Flyer or more information please call Cathie or Mike Milano at (800) 773-2660.

Food Kitchen

To all those who might need a hot plate of food and something to share with your family - Every Wednesday, South Bound Brook's Reformed Church, a small white building on Clinton Street behind Joe's Market, offers this service. Anyone who wishes to participate or needs some assistance, please come or go to their web site <http://rcsbb.com/>. They always need help and are willing to feed anyone.

Abortion and the Economy (Part II)

Last week, we highlighted the very low total fertility rates (TFR or children per female) throughout the western world and the strain this places on both a shrinking youth and the economy.

In the U.S., the TFR currently stands at 2.0. This is higher than European countries, Japan and China, thanks in large part to immigration (both legal and illegal). Yet, this figure is well below the figures experienced throughout our history when our economy was booming. The 2010 Census showed the slowest growth rates since the Great Depression.

The overall cost to our economy of each abortion is:

* Total annual consumption of goods and services per abortion: \$36,234

* Total annual taxes lost per abortion: \$12,440

* Total annual loss to economy per abortion: \$48,674

Since Roe v. Wade in 1973, there have been around 56 million abortions. The total annual loss of 56 million abortions is over \$2,595,000,000,000. No wonder we have a Social Security and Medicaid problem, and this problem will only worsen as more baby boomers reach retirement and our inverted demographic pyramid becomes even more pronounced!

Of course, we can never put a price on a precious soul created by God, but one need not wonder why we are facing a global economic collapse.

Why are we funding Planned Parenthood each year to kill the soul of our nation and contribute to the fall of our economy? Is that not totally insane?

Attention Youth!

Join us for our new youth group, *Youth United in Christ!* We meet every Fridays from 6:00-8:00 PM in the Upper Room of the Parish center. If you have questions please call (732) 648-5775.

Please note the Youth Group will be on break for the month of August until after Labor day.

A Recital by Laura Beth Couch

Fr. Al welcomes you to come and see St. Joseph's Cantor sing in a free, public concert on **July 31st at 4:00 PM** in St. Joseph's main church!! Laura Beth Couch, Mezzo-soprano, will be singing alongside St. Joseph's pianist/organist, Maritza Robles Alvarez, and Laura's father, James Couch with her family. The recital is called **Songs of Love and Longing**, and includes works in English, French, German, Italian and Spanish. She will be singing pieces by Schubert, Mozart, Bellini, Gustavino, Copland, Poulenc, Richard Rodgers and more! The recital is a combination of Classical Art Song, Aria and Musical Theatre. Don't miss out on an afternoon of beautiful music depicting love and longing across the ages!

A New Beginning Christ In Action Ministry (CIAM)

The CIAM group from our parish has changed leadership. Fr. Alfonso, our Pastor, will be in charge of the group until someone is elected. I ask anyone who would like to participate in our mission of serving the parish and community to please join. Our next meeting will be in the Upper Room at the Chapel, on Tuesday, August 2nd at 7:00 PM. Part of our Ministry will focus on "The Year of Mercy," along with the Corporal Works of Mercy. All are welcome because we have a lot of planning to do. Our service will also include ministry to the elderly by visiting them, bringing them to Mass, and helping them with their shopping. Also serving at Soup Kitchens, visiting those in jail, and visiting the sick. Fr. Al welcomes all your input in making this CIAM group a faith-in-action ministry.

Ministries Get Together BBQ and Pool Parties

This summer has been filled with many gatherings at my home with parish staff, parish council and altar servers. I did this because I want to thank them for their service. I cannot get together with all at once, but your time will come for us to get together and enjoy ourselves. The pool parties and barbecue have been great, and I had the opportunity to meet many parishioners.

At this time, I would like to invite ushers, eucharistic ministers, lectors and choir, together with your spouse, to please pick up an invitation in the Sacristy and contact Mary Ellen in the parish office so we can coordinate our gathering.



Parish Expenses

Locks

As you well know, I recently changed all of the locks in the Main Church and Chapel, together with all the safe combinations. I had to do this for the security of our church. But it does not come cheap! The final cost for these unique locks and keys was **\$3,821.00**. I know that no one will be able to make copies of the keys. As a result, the keys are limited, and we have a log for keys to be signed out and in. Anyone who would like to donate for the cost of the locks is more than welcome.

Church Roof

Finally, we will have our roof shingles and the leaks by the choir/piano, tabernacle area, and baptismal font repaired. The high winds, rain storms, and snow this past year were not kind to us, but it is better to have it fixed now so there is no further damage to our Church. The immediate cost to repair the roof will be **\$1,800.00**. One again, anyone who would like to donate something towards the repairs is more than welcome.

CIAM-Sponsored Retreat

Save the date for the Parish retreat on September 2nd, 3rd and 4th at Mt. Alvernia, Wappingers Falls, NY.



First Communion and Confirmation Photographs

First Communion and Confirmation Photographs are ready for pick-up in the Parish Office.

Silver and Gold Wedding Anniversary Celebration

Save the Date

The Silver and Gold Wedding Anniversary celebration will take place at St. Francis Cathedral in Metuchen, on Sunday, October 30 at 4:00 PM. Details to follow.

Religious Education Volunteers Needed

We have a wonderful Religious Education Program at St. Joseph's and we are in need of Catechists, Aides, and Office Help to complete our team. If you enjoy working with children, the Holy Spirit may be calling you to work with us. We have openings Tuesdays afternoons and Monday and Wednesday evenings. We supply the textbooks and training. You supply the dedication and enthusiasm. Please call the Religious Education office at (732) 356-0645 if you are in a position to help or have questions.



Lectura Para el Próximo Domingo Decimo Octavo Domingo Ordinario

Primera Lectura: Eclesiastés 1: 2; 2: 21-23

Hay quien se agota trabajando y tiene que dejarlo todo a otro que no lo trabajó.

Segunda Lectura: Colosenses 3: 1-5, 9-11

Den muerte, a todo lo malo que hay en ustedes: la fornicación, la impureza, los malos deseos.

Evangelio: Lucas 12: 13-21

"La vida del hombre no depende de la abundancia de los bienes que posea".

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 7:30 PM. se reúnen 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!**

Tome Nota

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.

Nota de la Hermana Susana

La Hermana Susana estará ausente de la Iglesia durante los meses de Julio y Agosto, las hermanas van a sus reuniones anuales, prepararse espiritualmente y visitar a sus familiares. La hermana Susana les agradece por el apoyo y el amor que le han brindado a lo largo de este año, y nos pide que oremos por ella y sus hermanas de Congregación ella pedirá a la Morenita de Guadalupe que nos proteja siempre. Si Dios quiere estará nuevamente con nosotros a fines de Agosto.

Intención de Misa

El libro de intenciones de las Misas para el 2017 está disponible y todavía quedan algunas disponibles para este año. Si usted desea pedir una Misa, por favor pase por la oficina de la parroquia de lunes a jueves de 9:00 a 4:00 PM (de 12 a 1:30 cerrado por almuerzo) o martes, miércoles o jueves de 6:30 a 8:30 PM.

Tenga en cuenta: La Diócesis requiere que a todas las intención de Misas, se deje una ofrenda en el momento de solicitarlas.



¡Atención Jóvenes!!!

Jesús te está llamando! Estamos muy contentos de anunciar nuestro grupo de jóvenes, **Jóvenes Unidos en Cristo!**

Ven a unirte a nosotros para compartimos 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!

Tengan en cuenta que el grupo de jóvenes estará en descanso el mes de agosto hasta después del día del trabajo.



Nuevos Bautizados

Damos la bienvenida a nuestra familia Cristiana de la Iglesia San José a: Emely Andrea Alvarenga, Daniel Alejandro Carter, Henry Jovanni Guardado Rivera y



Elvis Omar Matamoros Jr. que el pasado fin de semana recibieron el bautismo. Felicidades a los padres y padrinos y que la luz de Jesús permanezca por siempre en estos niños y crezca aún más en sus corazones.

Mensaje del Padre Alfonso

Todos quedan invitados a oír a nuestra líder de Música, Laura Beth Couch. Ella nos deleitara con su preciosa voz con un concierto gratis aquí en nuestra Iglesia principal, el **31 de julio, a las 4:00 PM**. Ella es una estudiante de Música profesional y nos quiere brindar su talento. Laura estará cantando bajo la dirección de nuestra directora del coro y pianista, Maritza Robles Álvarez y su papá, James Couch. La obra que nos dará



se llama **Música de Amor y Esperanza**. Esto incluida música en inglés, francés, alemán, italiano, y español. Su recitación es una combinación del Arte Clásico, Arias, y

Música de Teatro. No se pierdan esta oportunidad de oírla y verla cantar en nuestra parroquia. Cualquier ofrenda es bienvenida.

Muchas Gracias, Padre Alfonso

Clases de Educación Religiosa 2016/17

Todos los niños entre las edades de 7 a 13 años quien no van a una escuela católica son requeridos a participar en Educación Religiosa cada año. Las clases son una vez por semana entre Septiembre a Mayo. Durante ese tiempo, dos años serán dedicados a la preparación de Primera Comunión y otros dos años para la recepción del Sacramento de Confirmación. Las registraciones ya están disponibles en el sitio web de la parroquia (www.sjcbb.net), y en la oficina Parroquial, de lunes a jueves de 9:00 AM a 12:00 PM y 1:30 a 4:00 PM y martes, miércoles y jueves de 6:30 a 8:30 PM. Registros nuevos favor de traer una copia del Certificado de Bautismo y Primera Comunión si no se realizó en el Iglesia de San José. La matrícula se puede pagar en efectivo o en cheque.



Voluntarios Para Catecismo

Tenemos un maravilloso programa de Educación Religiosa aquí en San José y necesitamos más Catequistas, ayudantes en la clase, y ayuda en la Oficina para completar nuestro equipo. Si usted le gusta trabajar con niños, el Espíritu Santo te está llamando a trabajar con nosotros. Tenemos puestos los martes por las tardes, y Lunes y Miércoles por la noche. Nosotros le ofrecemos los libros y formación, usted pone su dedicación y entusiasmo. Por favor llame a la Oficina de Educación Religiosa al (732) 356-0645 si está en una posición para ayudar o tiene preguntas.

Fotografías

Primera Comunión y Confirmación

Las fotografías de primera Comunión y Confirmación ya las han entregado. Si usted puso una orden, por favor pase por la Oficina Parroquial a recogerlas.

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 a 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 ó 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.

El Aborto y la Economía (Parte 1)

Los niños son nuestro mayor recurso natural. Sin embargo, a través del mundo oeste, la natalidad ha decaído. En Europa, los principales países tales como Alemania, Italia, Francia, Grecia y la Gran Bretaña, en su totalidad tienen índices de natalidad (TFR o niños por mujer) bien abajo de 1.5.

El índice de natalidad del Japón está al fondo con 1.1 los países tienen un futuro incierto cuando la natalidad descende tanto. Económicamente, los problemas son obvios. Los gobiernos en Europa y Norte América han construido estados elaborados y con derechos generosos desde la Segunda Guerra Mundial.

Pero la población que avejenta y la pirámide invertida demográfica ponen una enorme responsabilidad en la juventud, causando significativa y al final presiones catastróficas en la bolsa pública. Nada más los Estados Unidos tiene \$100 trillones de deuda pública.



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