

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*

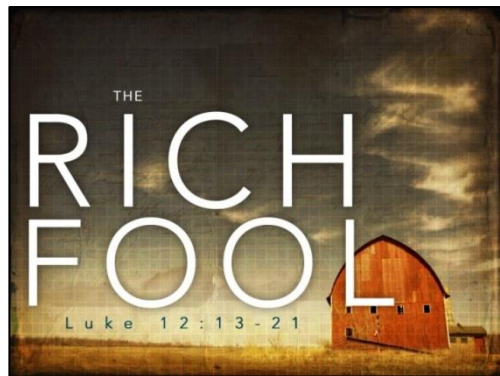
(Grades Pre-K through 8)
149 South Plainfield Avenue
South Plainfield, NJ 07080
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Mrs. Melinda Hanlon, Principal



Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 31, 2016



Masses/Penance for the Week

Monday, August 1, 2016

8:30 AM* People of the Parish

Tuesday, August 2, 2016

8:30 AM* Daniel Salvatore, request of Roseanne and Beatrice

Wednesday, August 3, 2016

8:30 AM* World Peace

6:15 PM* Penance

7:00 PM* Amy and Anna Mitterbach, request of Gleason family

Thursday, August 4, 2016

8:30 AM* Carole Chellis, request of the Christ in Action Ministry

Friday, August 5, 2016

8:30 AM* Isaac Rodriguez, request of daughter Maritza and family

Saturday, August 6, 2016

8:30 AM* Jophn FitzMaurice, request of Katherine and George Anderson

4:00 PM Penance

5:00 PM Mary Parenteau, request of Mary Anne and John Griguoli

7:00 PM Pedro Ramirez-Mendoza, request of children and family

Sunday, August 7, 2016

8:00 AM Robert Martin, request of Connor

10:00 AM Anna Mitterbach, request of family

12:00 PM Yolanda Tavara and Eila Elias, request of Tavara and Elias family

*Masses/penance are held in the Chapel

Sanctuary Lamp Memorial

August 1-7, 2016

In memory of
Robert Martin
Request of Mom



Next Sunday's Readings

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading 1: Wisdom 18:6-9

On the long-awaited Passover night, God's children offered the paschal sacrifice.

Reading 2: Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12

By faith we join our ancestors in faith, as together in hope we journey toward our homeland.

Gospel: Luke 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

The Son of Man will come at an unexpected Hour.

This Week

Tuesday, August 2, 2016

7:00 PM Christ in Action Ministry meeting in the Upper Room

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

Thursday, August 4, 2016

7:00 PM Divine Mercy in the Chapel

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.



First Communion and Confirmation Photographs

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

Youth Group

Please note that the Youth Group, *Youth United in Christ*, will be on break for the month of August until after Labor day.

Sunday Offering

The Week Ended July 24

Regular Collection: \$ 5,018.00

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@sjcbb.net.



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 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.

Bus Trip

The Bound Brook Seniors are offering a Bus Trip to Connecticut. We will be spending three days and two nights at the Two Trees Inn at Foxwoods. There will be day trips to Mystic Seaport and the Native American exhibit near Foxwoods. The dates are October 11-13, 2016. We offer transportation, two nights lodging, two breakfasts, two dinners and unlimited shopping. Those who wish may take advantage of the Casino in the evening. The cost is \$299 double. We leave from the parking lot at 600 Union Avenue in Bound Brook at 8:00 AM on October 11. Interested parties should call Mike Carmen at (732) 356-1024.

Save the Date

Diocesan Pilgrimage to the National Shrine

On Saturday, November 19, 2016, Bishop Checchio will lead a pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC, concluding the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy and celebrating the thirty-fifth anniversary of the creation of the Diocese by St. John Paul II. More details about the pilgrimage, including how to register, will appear in the bulletin in coming weeks.

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.

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.



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!

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.



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.

Vacation Bible School

We had a wonderful time at Vacation Bible School this past week. Our 39 children had a fun, faith based week. We went "Around the World with the Saints" in our Hot Air Balloon. We went to Turkey on Monday and visited St. Nicholas. On Tuesday we were in Ireland and met St. Brigid. Wednesday was St. Martin de Porres from Peru. Thursday we visited Mexico and met St. Juan Diego. We finished up on Friday at home in the USA with the first Native American Saint, St. Kateri Tekawitha.



Thank you to all the very generous parishioners who donated so many items we needed for VBS. Thank you also to all the families during this week that donated non-perishable food items for our local Food Pantry. We had a hamper full. The children were all such cheerful givers.

A successful Vacation Bible School does not happen without a lot of help before and during the actual week. We want to thank all the people that spent many hours preparing for the program and being there for the children all week.

Rosa Baker
Christine Bator
Sophia and Steve Bischoff
Marie and Bob Boswell
Caterina Caruso
Bridgette Cayaban
April Cerritos
Melany and Juan Chaparro
Kristy Champignon
Rosa Chavez
Molly Colalillo
Daniela Contreras
Amanda and Rosa Crudup
Joseph DeFazio

Gerry DeNicola
Nancy Fontaine
Joan Gleason
Lynn and Tony Gorka
Julie Guerrero
Irene Gyori
Rory Hansen
Kristen Hardin
Marisela Hernandez
Mark Kamienowski
James Killeen
Joseph, Mary and Kevin Kirchman
Cris Lopez
Jacek Malik
Michelle McCann

Cindy McConnell
Yossy and Steven Montecinos
Bethany and Dan Newton
Erin O'Reilly
Kathia Ortiz
Leanne Pennetto
Jane Pilato
Rosaisela Priego
Ariana Stith
Ian Todd
Maria Torres
Ana and Alexa Valencia
Emily Vargas
Megan VanAntwerp

And a special thank you to Steve Bischoff, Nancy Fontaine and Ana Valencia, the designers of the decorations and displays that made the program come alive.

We hope to see all the children again next July!

Ana and Kathy, The Office of Religious Education

Lectura Para el Próximo Domingo Decimo Noveno Domingo Ordinario

Primera Lectura: Sabiduría 18 : 6 -9

Tu pueblo esperaba la salvación de los justos y el exterminio de sus enemigos.

Segunda Lectura: Hebreos 11: 1-2, 8-19

La fe es la forma de poseer, desde ahora, lo que se espera y conocer las realidades que no se ven.

Evangelio: Lucas 12: 32-48

"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 7:30 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 esta 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 intenciones de Misas, se deje una ofrenda en el momento de solicitarlas.

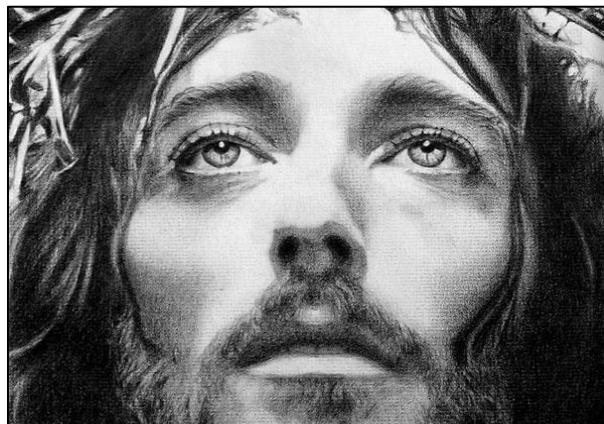


¡Atención Jóvenes!

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: Karissa Melina Franco que el pasado fin de semana recibió el bautismo. Felicidades a los padres y padrinos y que la luz de Jesús permanezca por siempre en esta niña y crezca aun mas en sus corazón.



Fotografías de 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.

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, **hoy domingo 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 seran dedicados a la preparación de Primera Communi3n y otros dos años para la recepci3n del Sacramento de Confirmaci3n. Las registraciones ya estan 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, mi3rcoles y jueves de 6:30 a 8:30 PM. Registros nuevos favor de traer una copia del Certificado de Bautismo y Primera Comuni3n si no se realiz3 en el Iglesia de San Jos3. La matr3cula se puede pagar en efectivo o en cheque.



Voluntarios Para Catecismo

Tenemos un maravilloso programa de Educaci3n Religiosa aqui en San Jos3 y necesitamos mas Catequistas, ayudantes en la clase, y ayuda en la Oficina para completer nuestro equipo. Si usted le gusta trabajar con ni3os, el Esp3ritu Santo te esta llamando a trabajar con nosotros. Tenemos puestos los Martes por las tardes, y Lunes y Mi3rcoles por la noche. Nosotros le ofrecemos los libros y formaci3n, usted pone su dedicaci3n y entusiasmo. Por favor llame a la Oficina de Educaci3n Religiosa al (732) 356-0645 si esta en una posici3n para ayudar o tiene preguntas.

Rito de Iniciaci3n Cristiana de los Adultos

Si usted o alguien que usted conoce le gustar3a escuchar m3s acerca de Jes3s y su iglesia, le invitamos a unirse a nosotros en una Sesi3n de Informaci3n del RICA. Si usted desea ser bautizado en a Iglesia Cat3lica, 3 si ya est3 bautizado y desea recibir los otros sacramentos de iniciaci3n, o viene a nosotros de otra fe y desea ser plenamente iniciado como miembro de la Iglesia Cat3lica, entonces le invitamos a unirse a RICA (Rito de Iniciaci3n Cristiana de Adultos). RICA es el proceso que le llevar3 al Bautismo (por los no bautizados), Eucarist3a y Confirmaci3n. Caminemos juntos en un camino de la fe. Para m3s informaci3n acerca de las sesiones en Ingl3s, por favor contactar con el di3cono Gary Newton a Deacon.Gary@sjccb.net 3 para sesiones en espa3ol, comun3quese con la Hermana Susana Islas a Sr.Susana@sjcbb.net, o ir en persona a la oficina Parroquial martes, mi3rcoles o jueves de 6:30 a 8:30 PM.



El Aborto y la Econom3a (Parte II)

La semana pasada subrayamos los 3ndices muy bajos de la natalidad total (TRF o ni3os por mujeres) a trav3s del mundo oeste y la tensi3n que esto ocasiona en el disminuyo de la juventud y la econom3a.

En los Estados Unidos, los 3ndices de natalidad (TRF) est3n en 2.0. Esto es m3s elevado que en los pa3ses Europeos, Jap3n y China, gracias en gran parte a la inmigraci3n (ambas legal e ilegal). Sin embargo, esta cifra es mucho m3s baja que las cifras experimentadas a trav3s de nuestra historia cuando nuestra econom3a era m3s prospera. El censo del a3o 2010 demostr3 el incremento m3s lento desde la Gran Depresi3n. En conjunto el costo a nuestra econom3a por cada aborto es el siguiente:

- Total anual del consumo de productos y servicios por cada aborto: \$36,234
- Total anual de impuestos perdidos por cada aborto: \$12,440
- P3rdida anual a la econom3a por cada aborto: \$48,674

Desde el caso de Roe vs Wade en 1973, han ocurrido alrededor de 56 millones de abortos. La p3rdida total anual por 56 millones de abortos suma a m3s de \$2,595,000,000,000. No es sorprendente que tengamos problemas con el Seguro Social y Medicaid y que estos problemas empeoren a medida que m3s ni3os de la postguerra alcancen edad de jubilaci3n y que nuestra pir3mide demogr3fica invertida se torne a3n m3s pronunciada!

Por supuesto que nunca podemos ponerle un precio a las almas preciosas creadas por Dios, pero no debe sorprendernos el por qu3 estemos enfrent3ndonos a un desplome global econ3mico.

Por qu3 estamos aportando fondos a Planned Parenthood cada a3o para matar al alma de nuestra naci3n y contribuir al derrumbe de nuestra econom3a? No es eso algo totalmente insensato.