

SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

216 COMLY ROAD ' LINCOLN PARK, NEW JERSEY 07035

Our Mission Statement: We, the Eucharistic community of the Lord at Saint Joseph's and members of the Body of Christ, are varied in background, culture, age and economic class. We are a welcoming parish consisting of longtime Catholics, new and returning Catholics and the young, all seeking knowledge of our faith, its teachings and traditions. We are a faith community empowered by the Holy Spirit and dedicated to helping others. We are committed to celebrate the sacramental life of the church; to listen, proclaim, practice, teach and evangelize the word of God; to minister to each other, the poor and those in need.

Parish Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm Parish Office: 973-696-4411 Religious Education: 973-696-4411

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We Invite You to Celebrate the Eucharist

Saturday Eve: 5:30 pm

Polish Mass: Every third Saturday of each month at 7:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00, 10:00 am, 12:00 noon & 7:00 pm (*Spanish Mass*)

Weekdays: Monday, 7:00 pm Tuesday - Friday, 8:00 am

Holy Days: Will be announced in the bulletin and from the pulpit.

Parish Membership

Our parish family invites all of its members to participate fully in our spiritual and social life. Every family moving into our parish is requested to register. Please contact the parish office for the form. If you are going to move to another parish or change your address, please notify the parish office.

Parish Staff

Fr. Artur Zaba, Pastor Fr. Martin Bradtke, Parochial Vicar frmartinbr@gmail.com Sr. Ellen Byrnes, F.S.P., Pastoral Associate Rev. Mr. Stephen Marabeti, Deacon Rev. Mr. Joseph Parlapiano, Deacon Mrs. JoAnn Caputo, Admin. Asst./Bookkeeper Mrs. Isabella Bubnick, Assistant Secretary Ms. Denise Dixon, Director of Music Mrs. Kathleen Miller, Director of Religious Education Mr. John Petracca, Maintenance Mr. Rich Williams, Maintenance

Novena: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction 6:30 pm followed by the Mass at 7:00 pm and Novena to our Lady of the Miraculous Medal every Monday.

Adoration: Every Tuesday from 8:30 am to 8:00 pm, every Wednesday and Thursday from 8:30-9:30 am.

The Sacrament of Baptism: The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on Sunday, with the exception of major holidays. Baptisms during Mass or at any other Time are to be arrange with the Pastor. A parent preparation program is held monthly. Parents are asked to contact the parish office for information about Baptisms two months in advance. Reconciliation: Saturday, 5:00 pm to 5:20 pm

Communion & Sick Calls: Anointing of the Sick is offered every third Sunday of the month after the noon Mass. When any member of your family becomes ill or is confined to the home and unable to come to the Celebration of the Eucharist, please contact the parish office so that arrangements can be made for Communion to be brought to the house. If it is an emergency situation, please call 973-974-0213.

Matrimony: Ideally, arrangements for weddings should be made at least one year in advance. Please contact the parish office to make arrangements.

Grief Ministry: Meets twice per year, mutual sharing and support in strictly confidential setting. Call Sr. Ellen at 973-696-4411.

CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

Knights of Columbus

WORSHIP

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Warming Bee
Antoinette VanWyck 973-694-1818
Women of Faith
Vicki Pignone 201-410-6869

MASS INTENTIONS & SCHEDULE

Saturday	5:30 PM	Espenita Boulter – Gordon Fam Gloria & Joe DiRienzo – B Messenkopf
Sunday	8:00 AM	Ray Kerwin – Knights of Columbus Lois Forde – E Rubin & Fam James J Boyle – M Boyle Bernard Siebel – Benson Fam
	10:00 AM	Antonio Vella – Fam Mary Rickett – Caputo Fam
	12:00 PM	Angel & Jose Saldo – M Thew Rev Basil Samra – G&B Altonjy
Monday	7:00 PM	Ray Kerwin – FSP Ryszard Mieczkowski – Fam & Friends
Tuesday	8:00 AM	Ray Kerwin – B Reiss Luz Nacua – Bacanaya Fam
Wednesday	/ 8:00 AM	Arthur J Abad – Abad Fam Albert Celleri - SJP
Thursday	8:00 AM	Sr. Carlita – Fr. Dave Pickens
Friday	8:00 AM	Maria Zaba (1 st Anniv) – Fr. Art
Saturday	5:30 PM	Josephine Gallo & Daniel
,		Schworn – McMann Fam
	7:00 PM	Polish Mass
Sunday	8:00 AM	William & Marge Hughes –
11/19		J&D Hughes
		Joan Murphy – A&R Michalcik
	10:00 AM	Deceased Members of the Kielbowicz Fam
	12:00 PM	Donna Brulato (Health) – M Thew Ann Joy Abad – V Turingan
Spanish	7:00 PM	Alves Family
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Mass

SHARING OUR TREASURE

November 5, 2023:	\$ 6,412
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Attendance:	501

If only the bridegroom had come on time. If only he had not been running so very late. But unfortunately, he was unexpectedly "long delayed." Consequently, the five foolish virgins ran out of oil for their lamps. We have all had experiences of waiting when we ended up having to wait longer, maybe much longer, than we anticipated. Instead of running out of oil, we likely ran out of patience. It would be wise, therefore, to pack some spare patience each day, so that we can be prepared for all those times when we need to wait.

What has worked in the past when you become impatient? Going forward, what will you do to draw upon more patience?



THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Wisdom 6:12-16

Regarded as personifying God's power, Wisdom is readily and easily found by those who seek her.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

The Thessalonians, who fear that those who have died will miss Christ's return, are comforted by Paul's assurance that those "who have died in Christ will rise first."

Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13

In the parable of the five sensible bridesmaids and the five foolish bridesmaids, Jesus emphasizes the fact that we must always be ready for the coming of Christ because in his words, "You know not the day or the hour."



Sunday Wis 6:12-16; 1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14; Mt 25:1-13

> **Monday** Wis 1:1-7; Lk 17:1-6

Tuesday Wis 2:23—3:9; Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday Wis 6:1-11; Lk 17:11-19

Thursday Wis 7:22b—8:1; Lk 17:20-25

Friday Wis 13:1-9; Lk 17:26-37

Saturday Wis 18:14-16, 19:6-9; Lk 18:1-8

MEMORIALS

The sanctuary lamp will burn in loving memory of *Gus & Laura Minieri*

COOKIES FOR OUR TROOPS



Fr. Dominik asked if we could send homemade cookies to his military soldiers for the holidays. We have a committee that will be sending packages to Fr. Dominik for his troops in Texas in December. If you would like to participate, please donate 4 dozen cookies. Please label cookies if they contain nuts. It would be

helpful if you can divide the cookies into 4 containers/boxes (1 dozen in each container/box). Donations can be dropped off in the Parish Center on Monday and Tuesday, December 11^{th} and 12^{th} , from 9 AM – 7 PM or call the office at 973.696.4411 to arrange a specific time for a drop off. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

LETTER FROM FR. DOMINIK

Hello my friends of St. Joseph's Parish,

I am so happy to be writing to you. I think of you every single day and remember you in my Masses. Sometimes I watch St. Joseph's live stream Mass and I am happy to recognize your faces.

This is an amazing new life for me as a US Army Chaplain here in Texas. I am extremely busy because right now. I'm the only Catholic Chaplain in my battalion.

We have about 400 attending Sunday Mass and 25 attending daily Mass. And every day after Mass I hear Confessions for about 2 hours. Sometimes I don't have any time for myself. But I love my soldiers and I'm grateful God has called me to bring Jesus to them and serve them with my time, energy, and happiness.

I work from 6:00 am to 6:00 pm every day. I offer Mass and the Sacraments for the soldiers, and counsel their families. I am also required to serve the Christian and Moslem soldiers if they ask me and if I am able to help them.

Another job we do is to serve the soldiers during their field training which means sleeping outdoors in tents in all kinds of weather and hearing a lot of bombs exploding. So this is a very different life style from Parish life in New Jersey!

The hardest time was last summer when the heat was sometimes 118 degrees and there was no rain for three months! I'm on an aviation base so I had to walk a lot to the soldiers in different hangars. But I had enough water and I had God in my heart to support me.

I miss you, my St. Joseph's family. My heart is always close to you and I promise to keep you in my Masses every day. Even though I'm not your pastor anymore, I'd like to hear from you anytime.

Please offer your prayers, crosses and sufferings for me and for an increase of Chaplains in the Army, Navy, and Air Force. We need your prayers and your support.

God bless you all. US Army Chaplain (Captain) Dominik Bakowski

RELIGIOUS | EDUCATION

GRADES K-6

Nov 19	Grade 5 Class Mass
Nov 26	No Class
Dec 3	1 st Sunday of Advent
	Sign-up for Pageant (K – 4)
Dec 8	Feast of the Immaculate Conception
Dec 10	Grade 6 Class Mass
Dec 24	Christmas Eve (No Class)
Dec 31	New Year's Eve (No Class)

For more information, please call 973.696.4411

CONFIRMATION PROGRAM GRADES 7-8

Nov 22 No Class Dec 27 Christmas Break (No Class)

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NOVEMBER LECTOR SCHEDULE

Nov 11/12	Nov 18/19
5:30 PM Ashley	5:30 PM George Yost
LoMonaco	8:00 AM Dan Blewitt
8:00 AM Paul DePinto	10:00 AM Maria Maggi
10:00 AM Liz O'Connell	12:00 PM AnneMarie Abad
12:00 PM Rebecca	
Sherbert	
Nov 25/26	
5:30 PM Ellen Corbiere	Maria Maggi
8:00 AM Gina Deppert	201.774.5544
10:00 AM Rob Colfin	nd79@optonline.net
12:00 PM Joyce Favorito	

LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT THANK YOU

The Lighthouse Pregnancy Resource Center was very grateful for the outpouring of love and support for the moms and families served by Lighthouse that resulted from our baby drive. We collected 1,277 diapers, 79 wipes, crocheted baby outfits, blankets, hats, baby clothes, burp cloths, books, infant formula and various food and baby car essentials. It is humbling to see how God is using the people of our church to transform lives and grow healthy families, centered on Christ.

FR. ENGLISH FOOD PANTRY

We are collecting food for the Fr. English Food Pantry in Paterson. Items requested for the month of November are stuffing, cranberry sauce, instant potatoes, rice, beans, cereal, peanut butter, tuna fish, canned chicken or soup. Please leave your donations in the back of church. Thank you.

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE



As we prepare to give thanks to God for all the blessings in our own lives, let us remember those in need during times that are very difficult for so many of our neighbors. The Parish Thanksgiving Collection will *run*

through Friday, November **17**th. Turkeys may be brought to Halloran Hall and placed in the freezer in the kitchen. Hams would also be appreciated. Other food items needed are stuffing, instant potatoes, cranberry sauce, gravy, canned juices, cereals, dinner rolls, canned vegetables, soup, tuna, peanut butter or jelly. A box for nonperishable food items is in the back of church. If anyone has any questions or needs a Thanksgiving basket please contact Lisa at 973.632.4267

CHRISTIAN SERVICE PROJECTS



GIVING TREE:

Our "Giving "Tree" Christmas project will begin the weekend of November 18th & 19th. We provide gift cards for adults and adolescents, and

focus on gifts for younger children. Ornaments are available on display boards in the rear of the church. *Please sign your name and phone number in the book next to the corresponding gift number on the ornament you choose.*

We ask for all gifts to be returned *with the ornament attached to the gift* the weekend of December 10th. It is helpful to return gift cards in a small gift bag, if possible. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Mary Bono at 973.696.9713 or Lois Moeller at 201.572.1646. Cash donations are also welcome.

Thank you and God bless you for your continued generosity.



NURSING HOME:

is fast approaching, and once

again through the generosity of the parishioners at St. Joseph's Church, the Christian Service Committee will be collecting gifts for the residents of the *Lincoln Park Nursing Home*. Most of these residents would not receive gifts at Christmas if it were not for our parish. Our list of gift suggestions are:

Men: socks, slippers and T-shirts (L, XL, 2XL)

Women: socks, slippers, lounge pants, toiletry bags & items such as dental items, deodorant, moisturizer, hand cream, etc.

Gifts should be returned wrapped and labeled (man or woman and what's inside) and placed on the windowsills in church. All gifts should be returned by the weekend of December 16th & 17th. Any questions, call Meg Williams at 973.696.7090.

ADVENT WREATH MAKING



All are welcome to come and create an Advent Wreath for the Advent season on Saturday, November 25th from 10 AM – 11:30 AM in school. All supplies such as

candles, greens, pinecones, glue guns etc. will be provided for a fee of \$10. It takes about 20-30 minutes to complete. This is a wonderful way to prepare with your family for the birth of Christ. *Please register by November* 19th at stjoelp @optonline.net.

MASS FOR DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE COLUMBIETTES & KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Father Art Zaba will be celebrating Mass for our deceased members at St. Joseph's Church on *Tuesday, November 14, 2023 at 6 PM*. The families and friends of our deceased members are invited to come and honor those Knights and Columbiettes who have given of themselves and are no longer with us.



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NATIONAL DONOR MONTH

An Interfaith Celebration of Life and Thanksgiving

The month of November, normally associated with giving thanks, is also home to National Donor Sabbath. This awareness month marks a special time across the country when clergy and their congregations unite to help spread the word about the gift of life. Religious leaders around the state are encouraged to address the importance of registering to be an organ and tissue donor. Many faith leaders also recognize that there are members within their own congregations who have been touched by organ and tissue donation or are in need of a life-saving transplant. Throughout November, information regarding organ and tissue donation from the NJ Sharing Network will be on the tables in back of church. NJ Sharing Network works year-round to educate New Jersey residents about the critical need for more organ and tissue donors. May your faith fill you with compassion to donate the gift of life. Please register online today at www.njsharingnetwork.org. Pope Francis has said that 'Organ donation is a testimony of love for our neighbour'.



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