



SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

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.

WE INVITE YOU TO CELEBRATE THE EUCHARIST

Saturday Eve: 5:30 PM
 Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM,
 12 Noon
 7:00 PM Spanish Mass
 Weekdays: Monday 7:00 PM
 Tuesday - Friday 8:00 AM
 First Friday Mass 7:00 PM
 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.

NOVENA

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

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated any Saturday or Sunday, with the exception of major holidays. 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: 4:30 PM to 5:00 PM

COMMUNION AND SICK CALLS

Anointing of the Sick is offered every 3rd 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 908-328-9892.

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 ext. 103.

PARISH STAFF

Fr. Thomas Mangieri	Pastor
Sr. Ellen Byrnes, F.S.P.	Pastoral Associate
Rev. Mr. Stephen Marabeti	Deacon
Rev. Mr. Joseph Parlapiano	Deacon
Rev. Mr. Lukasz Wnuk	Deacon
Ms. JoAnn Caputo	Administrative Assistant/ Bookkeeper
Ms. Denise Dixon	Music Minister
Kenneth & Jennifer Shirkey	Youth Ministers

CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

Worship

Eucharistic Ministers	Bonnie-Ann McLain	610-2014
	Peggy Folenta	628-6773
Lectors	Ray Kerwin	696-8513
Altar Servers	Carla Danzi	452-2300
Ushers	Fr. Thomas Mangieri	696-4411
Music Ministry	Denise Dixon	590-9975
Cantors, Adult Choir, Echoes of Faith, Choristers		

Religious Education/Sacramental Preparation

Religious Education	Sr. Ellen Byrnes, F.S.P.	694-8289
Rite of Christian Initiation	Jerilynn Prokop	216-2509
Pre-Cana	Fr. Thomas Mangieri	696-4411
Baptismal Preparation	Deacon Joseph Parlapiano	696-4411
Confirmation	Ken & Jen Shirkey	
stjoeslp youthministry@gmail.com		

Parish Service Committees

Baking, Parish Events	Maria McMann	896-4353
Christian Service	Walter Jaslanek	305-0232
Finance	Fr. Thomas Mangieri	696-4411
Greeters	Lysandra Kuroly	706-8482
Hall Rental	Julia Brady	696-4411
Knights of Columbus	Bill Murphy	709-0683
Lazarus Ministry	Judy Mulhearn	696-4411
Legion of Mary	Cora Jackson	628-9010
Media & Office Technology	Walter Jaslanek	305-0232
Prayer Line	Maria McMann	896-4353
Social Activities	Robin Zanca	872-0746
Stewardship	Chris Sirica	633-1379
Warming Bee	Florence Kane	696-2017
Women of Faith	Vicki Pignone	201-410-6869

SAINT JOSEPH PARISH, 216 COMLY ROAD, LINCOLN PARK, NJ 07035

Parish Office Hours: Monday - Friday: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

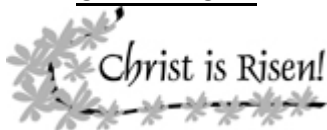
Parish Office: 696-4411 Religious Education: 694-4411 Fax: 305-8466 Convent: 696-4279

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Parish Website: stjosephparishnj.org

Facebook & Twitter: @Stjoelp

**EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION
OF THE LORD**



TODAY'S READINGS

Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Col 3:1-4 ;Jn 20: Mk 16:1-7

WEEKDAY READINGS

Monday

Acts 2:14, 22-33; Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday

Acts 2:36-41; Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday

Acts 3:1-10; Lk 24:13-35

Thursday

Acts 3:11-26; Lk 24:35-48

First Friday

Acts 4:1-12; Jn 21:1-14

First Saturday

Acts 4:13-21; Mk 16:9-15

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Acts 4:32-35; 1 Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31

MASS INTENTIONS & SCHEDULE

Holy Saturday	8:00 AM	Prayer Service
	3:00 PM	Blessing of the Food Baskets
	8:00 PM	Easter Vigil
Easter Sunday	8:00 AM	For the Parish
	10:00 AM	For the Parish
	12:00 PM	For the Parish
Spanish Mass	7:00 PM	For the Parish
Monday	7:00 PM	Joseph Chisari – K&K Miller
Tuesday	8:00 AM	Patrick Ward – FSP
Wednesday	8:00 AM	Rev Msgr Martin F. Rauscher – Fr. Tom
Thursday	8:00 AM	Catherine Gallucci - Fam
Friday	8:00 AM	Evelyn Byrnes – Fam
Saturday	5:30 PM	Ann Roberts – Maria Rosario Santos – M&P Misa Elsie Yazulla – V MacIntyre
Sunday	8:00 AM	Courtney Brightman & Jamie Lynn Krautheim – D Brightman
	10:00 AM	Daniel Petrow – R O'Donnell John Farah – Fam
	12:00 PM	Kenneth Patterson – L&G Manser Patrick Ward – R DiPasquale
Spanish Mass	7:00 PM	For the Parish

MEMORIALS

The sanctuary lamp will burn in loving memory of
Gus & Edward Klein ~ Family

FOOD PANTRY

The items requested for the Month of April are **soup, coffee and canned tuna**. Please leave your donations in the back of church. **Thank you.**

APRIL 1, 2018

SHARING OUR TREASURE

March 25, 2018:	\$	8,093.50
2 nd Collection, Sisters of St. Francis of Peace:	\$	133.00
Easter Flowers:	\$	468.00
Candles:	\$	211.00
Pennies:	\$	5.00
Attendance:		832

Happy Easter! Christ Jesus is Risen! This means that life takes on a new horizon. Have you ever thought of yourself as immortal? Have you ever considered that you have a “forever” to live life? The resurrection from the dead of Jesus casts a new light on our human existence. No longer are we bound by finite ends. Our life has an all new endless and brilliant horizon, and we come to share in this new resurrected and glorious horizon gifted us by Christ Jesus through our Baptism.

The resurrection gives us our freedom to decide our life's direction, unencumbered by the insidious snares of the devil. The death of Christ—just like the death of all those who came before us who fought so that we may have freedom—bestows a great and ineffable dignity on our liberty to make choices in regards the direction of our life. It begs the question: “What do we use our freedom for that was purchased at such a great price?” Furthermore, the resurrection of Christ shows us a great light to guide us in our choices.

In Baptism, we are born into the resurrected life of Jesus Christ, a life that knows no end, nor boundaries. Death has no more hold on us. Yes, we still die, but that is not the end of our life. For not only will our souls live on past our death, but our bodies and souls will be re-united and resurrect from our graves unto the glory that we see already in Jesus, the firstborn of the dead. With this faith, we come to find that the urgencies and anxieties that death can put upon our desires for our life come to fade into nothingness as we now see that we have a “forever” to experience—all for which we could ever yearn.

How you can help us earn money? If you have an account with Boiling Springs Savings Bank's, you can help us earn extra money. There is no fee or anything additional you need to do. For more information, call Boiling Springs Bank at 973.696.7100 or visit your local Boiling Springs Savings Bank Branch at 60 Beaverbrook Road in the ShopRite Shopping Center.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Nursing Home Reminder: Group IV is scheduled for April 8th.



To everything there is a season and a time for every purpose."

Ecc. 3:1

Patrick Gleason

"a time to heal..."

Let us pray for the sick and their caregivers and families, especially:

Debra O'Shea, Toni Toranto, Vince Auteri, Joseph VanDunk, Thomas Ketteler, Louis Martinelli, Samuel Iasso, Steven Duarte, Edel Montoya, Joan Cronin, Mary Riveria, Frank Croker, Toni Smith, Emily Castaneda, Peggy Piccoli, Patricia Morelli, Patricia Dias, Mary Kay Klein, Rose Fedor, Joanne Cerelli, Margaret Link, Frank Lombardi, James Russo, Baby Tony, Ed Leonard, Ron Gatti, Joanne Atherton, Maggie Bertola, Karen Hayes, Joan Godowsky, John Patereck, Charlotte Frances, Carl Ross, Lenny Basilio, James McNamara, Michael A Coiro, Sr, Karen Meyer, Patrick D'Alesandro, Elizabeth, Eileen Jones, Cecily Zahorian-Schinelli, Larry Embley, Christopher Shomonta, Karl Stumpf, Mary Dixon, Conner Stager, Phil Leto, Carmen Calabrese, Ewk Purenko, Walter Condon, Jr, Marion Tallia, Nancy Macaluso, Nathan Grompone, Kyra Dashe, Ruth Vitale, Eugene Tensen, Rosemarie Lea, Phil Leto, Mary Rivera, John Mooney, Pat Leto, Donna Roselli, Juan, Lou Tafuri, Alexander Parany, Judy Lorincz, Jill Cerullo, Bev Harrison, Marcella Redner, Maria Gerena, Edith Thomas, Paul Fitzpatrick, Rev Ricardo Ortega, Barbara Arvus, Chick DeVito, Jayne Vandorten, Toni Basilio, Greg Hunziker, Leonard Rizzolo, Pam Miles, Kathleen Wisniewski, Mr. Chun Yung & Wife Si Ock Yung, Maureen Carson, Christopher & Diane Hunziker, Matthew Saenz, Ashley Saenz, Marguerite McGrath, Cassie Lynn, Megan Jordan, Baby Noah, Mrs. Gloria Torrito, Kima Tan, A.M. Lagan, Kevin McNulty, Michelle Manna, Pam Teehan, Martin Brennan, Donna Niforos, Concepcion Fernandez, Leslie DuBois, Sergio Duarte, Joseph & Angelina Napoli, Alfred Joyell, Jack Parish, Adaria Duarte, Peter Sarf, Sophia Jade Frey, Steven Tomasi

BROWNIE BRIGADE!

Due to a scheduling conflict, our Brownie Brigade got an early "kick off" this weekend. Thanks to all who volunteered and had to adjust their baking schedules at the last minute. We will keep you posted on the next Brownie Brigade date.



If you have an interest in becoming involved with our commitment, please contact Lois Moeller at 973.696.4049. However, if you are already a member of our Parish Baking Committee, you may receive a call in the near future requesting your baking expertise! Please consider answering this call to feed the poor.

Matthew 25:40 "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you? Whatever you did for the least of my brothers, you did for me."



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

GRADES K-8

**** NEW ****

To report an absence for Religious Ed, please call 973.696.4411, x108.

April 1 Easter Sunday ~ No CCD
April 8 Meeting for 1st Communion Parents, 9 or 11 AM

CONFIRMATION PROGRAM

April 8 Freshmen Class, 7 – 9 PM

Confirmation Email:

StJoesLPYouthMinistry@gmail.com

RICE BOWLS ARE DUE



Don't forget to turn in your CRS Rice Bowls. You can drop them in the box in the back of church marked CRS Rice Bowl.

ENCOUNTER THE RISEN CHRIST – We prayed, fasted and gave alms – and now we celebrate Easter joy! Our Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl ends as we encounter our Risen Lord. We reflect on our brothers and sisters we have walked with, and we commit to bringing Easter joy to each person we meet in our daily lives. Visit crsricebowl.org for more.

OPERATION BLESSING: ROLLOUT



It's on!! Deacon Steve, Deacon Joe, Deacon Luke, and I have begun making our visits to **bleed each and every household in our parish of St. Joe's** with a brief and meaningful prayer service and some mementoes of that blessing. If you have requested a blessing visit, you will be contacted shortly to schedule

one if you haven't been contacted already. If you haven't yet submitted a visit request, please do so using the fill-in forms available in the vestibule. There's no end date for arranging a blessing, but there's also no time like the present! So be a part of Operation Blessing — it's what's happening!

Fr. Tom



EASTER: THE FEAST OF FAITH

One of the most tragic aspects of our culture's increasing loss of faith in God is how it limits understanding of what it means to be human. Without faith—"the evidence of things unseen"—humanity is restricted to the experience of the five senses alone, and cut off from what is actually the deepest level of human experience. For some, faith may even become an evidence not of profound experience but of childish credulity, like an adult still believing in the Easter Bunny.

Christians are often the butt of such derision, especially during this Easter season, since for unbelievers the notion of a crucified and Risen Christ seems fanciful, even a bit nutty, truly St. Paul's "stumbling block" and "folly." The irony here is that the Easter Bunny is not the creation of the Church but of the secular world in its attempt to preserve the fun and (especially) profit of a popular celebration while draining it of its original, faith-based meaning.


A recent poll by the financial blog WalletHub voted New York City first among the "best places to spend Easter" in America. This ranking is based on its Easter traditions and activities; the number and quality of its restaurants, hotels, cafes, bars, etc.; general celebratory atmosphere; spring weather; and similar sense-based criteria. Assuming that "New York City" primarily means Midtown Manhattan, one may include among the winning activities the famous Easter Parade on Fifth Avenue, complete with its outlandish costumes and signature elaborate headgear.

However, as the blog itself noted, there were no criteria related to Christian churches, such as their Easter liturgy and music, aesthetic qualities, etc. Ironically, the vaunted Easter Parade itself walks right by two of the most beautiful churches in the entire city, St. Patrick's Cathedral and St. Thomas Episcopal, both famed for the beauty of their Easter liturgies and worship environment. This fact, known to generations of Easter tourists, seems to have eluded the poll takers, although they did rate as a "plus" a city's "percentage of Christian population," like the crowd of extras in a Hollywood movie.

Such is the stunted view of human life that loss of faith leaves behind: Easter observances on the level of the Easter Bunny are the most we can expect. In stark contrast, the eyes of faith see a much deeper reality: in the Risen Christ, we celebrate the victory of life over death, won once and for all for everyone. Colored eggs and funny hats are harmless; good meals shared with family and friends are even better ways of celebrating. But the most authentically human cause for celebration is the Easter spirit of thankfulness and joy that only comes through faith in Jesus Our Savior, alive in the Church and shared by His people.

He is risen as He said! Happy Easter!

Fr. Tom

	PARISH GOLF OUTING SJP Golf Outing will be held on Monday, May 15th at the Balleyowen Golf Club , Hamburg, NJ. Registration begins at 7:30 AM . Shot-Gun Start approximately 9:00 AM. Cost is \$150 per player and includes: greens fees, cart, breakfast, dinner & gratuities and prizes. Signup forms are in the back of church or for more information, contact Bob Reiss @ reiss402@optonline.net or call at 973.694.8951.
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Area Happenings

WINE AND BEER TASTING

The Lincoln Park Lions Club will be hosting their 1st Annual Wine and Beer Tasting Event on **Friday, April 6th from 7 – 10 PM** at the American Legion in Lincoln Park. Tickets are \$25 per person. For more information, contact Linda Nazario at 973.696.7841 or Janet Taylor at 973.305.1249.



ANNUAL TRICKY TRAY

Holy Spirit School will be hosting its annual Tricky Tray on **Friday, April 13th at 7 PM**. We are grateful for the community members that have been so supportive throughout the years and we hope you will join us again for an evening that will prove to be just as entertaining and enjoyable as in the past. This year's tricky tray will have over 200 prizes that include an iPad, Apple Watch, 50" flat screen TV, tickets to a Broadway show, tickets to Hershey Amusement Park, bicycles, designer bags, Fitbit, kitchen electronics, gift cards to local restaurants and salons and so much more. Admission is \$15 and includes a sheet of small prize tickets along with dessert and coffee. To purchase tickets or for more information, call the school at 973.835.5680.



OPEN HOUSES

DePaul Catholic High School will be hosting an Open House on **Wednesday April, 25 at 7PM**. Register online at www.depaulcatholic.org. Contact the Office of Admissions at admissions@dpchs.org or 973.694.3702 x 442 for more information.

Morris Catholic High School's Spring Open House will be held on **Sunday, May 6th from 2 – 4 PM**. For more information, contact the office at 973.627.6674 or visit morriscatholic.org. Come see what it is like to be a Morris Catholic Crusader

Mount St. Dominic Academy's Open House will be on **Wednesday, April 25 at 6:30 PM**. For more information, contact the Admissions Office at 973.226.0660 x1114 or visit msdacademy.org.