



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. 12.

PARISH STAFF

Fr. Thomas Mangieri	Pastor
Sr. Ellen Byrnes, F.S.P.	Pastoral Associate
Rev. Mr. Stephen Marabeti	Deacon
Rev. Mr. Joseph Parlapiano	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
Marriage Preparation	Fr. Thomas Mangieri	696-4411
Baptismal Preparation	Deacon Joseph Parlapiano	696-4411
Confirmation	Ken & Jen Shirkey	
	stjoelplpouthernministry@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

Email: stjoelp@optonline.net

Parish Website: stjosephparishnj.org

Facebook: @Stjoelp

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 2, 2018



TODAY'S READINGS

Sunday

Jer 33:14-16; 1 Thes 3:12-4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

WEEKDAY READINGS

Monday

Is 2:1-5; Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday

Is 11:1-10; Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday

Is 25:6-10a; Mt 15:29-37

Thursday

Is 26:1-6; Mt 7:21, 24-27

First Friday

Is 29:17-24; Mt 9:27-31

Saturday

Gn 3:9-15, 20; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38

MASS INTENTIONS & SCHEDULE

Saturday	5:30 PM	Claire Lambert – K&D Petrow Peter Kenny – M&R Williams
Sunday	8:00 AM	Marie Aguanno - Fam John L Murphy – M Murphy
	10:00 AM	Jeffrey Trovato – Gloria, Bob & Ted Vita Gower – Cammarota Fam
	12:00 PM	Peter Kenny – Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Kane Thomas Ward – R&M Doyle
Spanish Mass	7:00 PM	For the Parish
Monday	7:00 PM	Vita Gower – Sr. Ellen Maria Fryca – Fam
Tuesday	8:00 AM	Rosario M Briones (3 rd Anniv) – R Briones-DeGuzman & Fam Erlinda Rafale – Fam Thor Jorgensen, Jr – Fam
Wednesday	8:00 AM	Catherine Gallucci – Fam
Thursday	8:00 AM	Edward Jenisch – Fam Walter Condon, Sr – Fam
Friday	8:00 AM	Louis Asfour, Sr – Fam
First Friday	7:00 PM	For the Parish
Saturday	9:00 AM	Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
	5:30 PM	Ronald Wild – J Wild Biase & Florence Farese – Clark Fam
Sunday	8:00 AM	Mildred Marino – L&G Manser Lucy Bolognini - Fam
12/9	10:00 AM	Philip Coiro – T&P Vatrano Amelia Tallis – Murphy Fam
	12:00 PM	George Folenta – D&P Folenta Eleanore Browne– R&M Doyle
Spanish Mass	7:00 PM	For the Parish

SHARING OUR TREASURE

November 18, 2018:	\$	7,356.00
2 nd Collection, Catholic Home Missions	\$	724.00
Candles:	\$	100.00
Pennies:	\$	90.00
Attendance:		640

November 25, 2018:	\$	6,226.00
Candles:	\$	324.00
Pennies:	\$	86.00
Attendance:	\$	571

We tend to think of Advent as the four-week season we use to prepare for the anniversary of the coming of Jesus into the world two thousand years ago. But the Gospel on the First Sunday of Advent focuses on the Second Coming of Jesus, an event in the future.

We do not know how much time we have to live, so we should treat each moment of our lives as precious. We should dedicate ourselves to virtue and prayer (especially in this holy season). The goal is that we be ready to greet the Lord whenever he calls us to himself (whether it be at the end of the world or at the end of our earthly lives).

Therefore, we need to be prepared at all times like people expecting visitors but unsure as to when exactly they will arrive. The time of waiting requires attentiveness and a sharp spiritual sense. Anything that dulls the spirit or causes it to be must be avoided. Luke warns us that "the anxieties of daily life" can easily distract us. It's as if he realized how busy the holidays would become!

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.

MEMORIALS

The sanctuary lamp will burn this week in loving memory of
Henry Piccoli ~ From Family

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Nursing Home Reminder: Group II is scheduled for December 9th.

CHRISTMAS CONFESSIONS SCHEDULE

Monday, December 17th, 5:00 – 6:00 PM
Wednesday, December 19th, 6:00 – 7:30 PM
Saturday, December 22nd, 4:00 – 5:00 PM



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

Ecc. 3:1

Edmund Leonard

“a time to heal...”

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

John Roselli, Mark McCormack, Emilia Moye, Vito Fragati, Gianna Matthews, Corazon Jackson, Patricia Pagdanganan, Herbie Giardino, Roseann Post, Karen Camporeale, Debra O’Shea, Toni Toronto, Vince Auteri, Joseph VanDunk, Thomas Ketteler, Louis Martinelli, Samuel Iasso, Steven Duarte, Edel Montoya, Joan Cronin, Mary Riveria, Frank Croker, Peggy Piccoli, Patricia Morelli, Mary Kay Klein, Rose Fedor, Joanne Cerelli, Frank Lombardi, James Russo, Baby Tony, Ron Gatti, Joanne Atherton, Maggie Bertola, Karen Hayes, Joan Godowsky, Charlotte Frances, Carl Ross, Lenny Basilio, James McNamara, Sr, Karen Meyer, Patrick D’Alessandro, Eileen Jones, Larry Embley, Christopher Shomenta, Karl Stumpf, Mary Dixon, Phil Leto, Carmen Calabrese, Ewk Purenko, Walter Condon, Jr, Marion Tallia, Nancy Macaluso, Nathan Grompone, Ruth Vitale, Eugene Tensen, Rosemarie Lea, Mary Rivera, John Mooney, Pat Tafuri-Leto, Donna Tafuri-Roselli, Juan, Lou Tafuri, Alexander Parany, Judy Lorincz, Jill Cerullo, Bev Harrison, 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, Kevin McNulty, Michelle Manna, Pam Teehan, Martin Brennan, Donna Niforos, Concepcion Fernandez, Sergio Duarte, Joseph & Angelina Napoli, Alfred Joyell, Jack Parish, Adaria Duarte, Peter Sarf, Sophia Jade Frey, Steven Tomasi

CHRISTMAS OPLATKI

The Christmas wafers are available at the back of church for those who observe the ritual of breaking and sharing the wafers right before the Christmas Eve meal.



BLUE BOOKS FOR ADVENT



The blue books for the Advent Season are in a basket in the back of church; please help yourself to these wonderful little reflection books requiring only 5 minutes per day.

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR

The Little Sisters of the Poor would like to thank our parishioners for the generous donation amounting to \$1,977 from our special collection that was taken up last month. They truly appreciate the friendship and support from our parish to help in their mission of serving the elderly. May God bless you all.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
GRADES K-8

- Dec 4** Confessions for Grades 6th, 7th & 8th
- Dec 9** 3rd Grade Class Mass @ 10am
- Dec 16** Confessions for Grade 5 @ 9 & 11am
- Dec 23** No Classes Christmas Recess
- Dec 30** No Classes Christmas Recess

To report an absence for Religious Ed, please call the Parish Office at 973.696.4411, x13.

CONFIRMATION PROGRAM

- Dec 2** Confirmation Classes
Freshmen & Sophomore, 6:30 pm
- Dec 13** Freshmen Advent Confessions/Mass, 7pm
- Jan 27** Sophomore Retreat at St. Paul Inside the Walls, 8:30am – 5:00pm

Confirmation Email:
StJoesLPYouthMinistry@gmail.com

CHRISTIAN SERVICE NURSING HOME GIFTS

The Christmas season is fast approaching, and once again through the generosity of the parishioners at St. Joseph’s Church, the Christian Service Committee will be able to provide gifts to the residents of the Lincoln Park Nursing home. Most of these residents would otherwise receive no gifts at Christmas. We have changed our list of gift suggestions. Mens: socks, slippers, lounge pants/sweat pants, Tee-shirts; sizes L, XL & XXL, **NO Medium please.** Womens: socks, slippers, tops, lounge/sweat pants L, XL, or XXL, **NO Medium or Small please.** Miscellaneous dental items are acceptable. If you are an early shopper and already purchased a gift for a resident, whatever you give will be greatly appreciated. **Labels for suggestions will be in the back of church. Gifts should be returned WRAPPED with the tags on top of the presents and placed on the windowsills in church. All gifts should be returned by Sunday, December 16th. Thank you**

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

Your donations works for aging religious. “I read that roughly 95 percent of donations to the Retirement Fund for Religious aid senior religious,” a donor writes. “That’s wonderful when we truly want our donations to *work*.” Your gift works for elderly religious by helping to furnish medications, nursing care, and more. Please support next week’s collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious, and give to those who have given a lifetime.



PARISH GIVING TREE

Our Christian Service Committee will once again be sponsoring the "Giving Tree" to spread the holiday cheer to those less privileged. St. Joseph Parish supplies gifts to 20 local families. For some, these may be the only gifts they receive.



The tree in the gathering space of the church contains ornaments with gift suggestions. Each person or family wishing to participate should take an ornament. **Sign-outs will be after the Masses and will continue until all ornaments are taken. Gifts should be returned to the church no later than December 12th.** The size, preference and age of the recipient will be on the ornament, plus a toy or game.

ORNAMENTS MUST BE SIGNED OUT IN THE GREEN LOG BOOK ON THE TABLE LOCATED NEXT TO THE TREE.

Items should be purchased and returned to the tree in an appropriate box, **UNWRAPPED**, and with the **ornament attached**. All gifts will be wrapped and distributed to the families.

Donations of wrapping paper, tape and cash are also always welcome. Any money received will be used to purchase additional items for the families' enjoyment.

Suggestions: Place gift cards in a small gift bag or in an envelope. Please don't be judgmental...if an item seems too costly, consider sharing the cost with a friend. Any questions, please contact Lois Moeller at 973.696.4049 or Mary Bono at 973.696.9713.

2019 CALENDARS



The 2019 calendars are available in the back of church; please take one. Once again, we are grateful to Karl Keri from Keri Memorial Funeral Home for donating the calendars to our parish; may God continue to bless Karl for his generosity each year.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Those wishing to be anointed should be in the church **after the Noon Mass on Sunday, December 16th.** Also, please let us know if there is a need for anointing at any other time and we would be glad to visit and anoint those who need it.

FOOD PANTRY ITEMS

The items requested for the month of November are: box stuffing mix, canned turkey gravy, cake, frosting & cookie mix, children snacks, crackers, cookies, juice boxes. Please leave donations in the back of church.

Thank you,

Christmas Flowers

We will once again be memorializing the poinsettia plants that beautify our church for Christmas. Donations may be made in memory of a relative or friend; in honor of someone living; or in thanksgiving to God. The names of those making the donations and those being remembered will be published in the Sunday bulletin after Christmas, unless the donor prefers to remain anonymous. Please complete the form below and return to the rectory or place it in the collection basket. You may also use the envelope included in your packet, but please be sure to mark the back with your intention.

If you wish, a note will be sent from the parish with a Christmas card informing a particular person of the donation. If you would like this courtesy extended, you must print on an index card the name address and zip code of the person/people who should receive, as well as the name of the person you are honoring. The amount will not be listed.

PLEASE PRINT

\$25 Per Plant

Donation _____ # of Plants _____

In memory of _____

In honor of _____

Donated by _____

Area Happenings

HOLY SPIRIT SCHOOL



11th Annual Christmas Tree Sale. The sale includes a variety of trees and wreaths. The hours are Monday thru Thursdays 6 pm to 9 pm; Fridays, 6 pm to 10 pm; Saturdays 9 am to 10 pm; and Sundays 9 am to 9 pm. For more information or if you have any questions, please call the school office at 973.835.5680.

Comedy Night – Saturday, January 12th Holy Spirit will be hosting their 9th annual Comedy Night at The Holy Spirit School Parish Center. Enjoy a night of laughter featuring **JOEY KOLA & UNCLE FLOYD!** Doors open at 7 PM. Show begins promptly at 8:30 PM. **Tickets are \$25 each if purchased by December 28th and \$30 if purchased after December 28th** (coffee and dessert included). **Feel free to bring your own food, beer, wine, soda or any other beverage of your choice to have at your table.** For tickets call Holy Spirit School at 973.835.5680 (during school hours) or 862.228.3430 (evenings and weekends). Only adults 21 and older will be permitted. This is a reserved seating event.