



# 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

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Facebook: @Stjoelp

**SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**DECEMBER 9, 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**      **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
- 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
- Monday**            7:00 PM Kathy Calero – Friends
- Tuesday**           8:00 AM Vincent Morgan – M Morgan
- Wednesday**      8:00 AM Robert Donahue – Franciscan Sisters of Peace
- Thursday**         8:00 AM Zdzislaw Igielski – Karpinski Fam
- Friday**             8:00 AM In Thanksgiving – A Rafale
- Saturday**         5:30 PM Robert Braddock – Sorrentino Fam  
                                    Stephen Korke – C&D Cleary  
                                    Mateo Bolton – M Bolton
- Sunday**            8:00 AM Joe Noto – D&H Roselli  
12/16                                      Patricia Bifulco – J&E Walsh
- 10:00 AM Helen & Matthew Clark – Clark Fam  
                                    Monica Ward – F Wilkisson
- 12:00 PM Patrick Patterson – Patterson Fam  
                                    Catherine Doroshenko – Doyle Fam
- Spanish Mass 7:00 PM For the Parish



**SHARING OUR TREASURE**

December 2, 2018:	\$ 6,949.00
Candles:	\$ 101.00
Pennies:	\$ 4.00
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Attendance:	\$ 609

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Luke makes sure we know that John's call came in the midst of messy human history. He names the political "Who's Who," starting at the top with Tiberius Caesar then Pontius Pilate, Herod Antipas and his brother, sons of Herod the Great. The high priests Annas and Caiaphas are included in the list. Politics right down to religious leaders. Both John and Jesus would suffer at their hands.

The powerful and wealthy were not friends of the poor and marginalized then just as they are not now. We wait in a messy world ruled by power and money. Not a lot has changed ... that is, on the outside.

But real change happens on the inside. Hope resides in the heart.

John the baptizer saw himself in the role of a road builder. He wanted to take crooked sections and make them straight, fill in the low parts, the valleys, remove the peaks of the hills and mountains. What does that mean? He wanted to clear the way for the *Lord* to approach *us*.

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***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  
*Fred DeMauro ~ From Jamey DeMauro*

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

**Nursing Home Reminder: Group III is scheduled for December 16<sup>th</sup>.**

**CHRISTMAS CONFESSIONS SCHEDULE**

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

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

**Ecc. 3:1**

**Diane Marie Burgess, Joseph Asfour & Peter Rettagliata**

**“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 Toranto, 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

**OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE**

There will be a **4 AM** Mass for the celebration Our Lady of Guadalupe, on **Wednesday, December 12<sup>th</sup>** in church. All are welcome to attend. Our Lady of Guadalupe is the patron saint of Mexico and every year thousands will gather at Mexico City’s Basilica to celebrate the patron saint.



**SAINT JOSEPH’S 1<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL 50/50 RAFFLES**



Tickets are still available for both \$5 and \$50 50/50 raffles. Both drawings will happen on **January 13<sup>th</sup> after the 12 PM Mass in**

**Halloran Hall.** What a great stocking stuffer or gift idea for your mailperson, hairdresser, pastor or a grab bag gift! For tickets or if you have any questions, please contact Tina at [Tina4bean@optonline.net](mailto:Tina4bean@optonline.net) or 973.476.1228.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**  
**GRADES K-8**

- Dec 9 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 13 \*\*Freshmen Advent Confessions/Mass is \*\*Rescheduled to March 24<sup>th</sup> at 4pm**
- Jan 6 Confirmation Classes  
Freshmen & Sophomore, 6:30 pm**
- Jan 27 Sophomore Retreat at St. Paul Inside the Walls, 8:30am – 5:00pm**

**Confirmation Email:  
StJoesLPYouthMinistry@gmail.com**

**\*\*\* CONFIRMATION UPDATE \*\*\***

There have been 2 changes to the Confirmation calendar:

1. The December 13<sup>th</sup> Freshmen Advent Confessions are **rescheduled**. It will now be a Lenten Service on Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup> from 4 – 6:30 PM.
2. Confirmation will be on **Tuesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>** at 7:30 PM.

**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 16<sup>th</sup>. Thank you**

## KIDS CHRISTMAS PARTY

There will be a Kids Christmas Party for grades K – 4 on **Friday, December 14<sup>th</sup> from 6 – 8 PM in Halloran Hall.** Desserts, hot chocolate and games will be provided. Please RSVP to [StJosephKids@gmail.com](mailto:StJosephKids@gmail.com) by December 10<sup>th</sup>. Please see flyer for more information.

## 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.



## 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 this week's collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious, and give to those who have given a lifetime.



## PARISH GIVING TREE



The Giving Tree **gifts are due back by December 12<sup>th</sup>** and should be returned to the **tree** in an appropriate box, **unwrapped** and with the **ornament attached**. All gifts will be wrapped and distributed to the families.

**Suggestions:** Place gift cards in a small gift bag or in an envelope. Any questions, please contact Lois Moeller at 973.696.4049 or Mary Bono at 973.696.9713.

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.

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Those wishing to be anointed should be in the church **after the Noon Mass next Sunday, December 16<sup>th</sup>.** 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.



## 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.

## *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.

PLEASE PRINT

\$25 Per Plant

Donation \_\_\_\_\_ # of Plants \_\_\_\_\_

In memory of \_\_\_\_\_

In honor of \_\_\_\_\_

Donated by \_\_\_\_\_

## FOOD PANTRY ITEMS

*The items requested for the month of December 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,*

## *Area Happenings*

### HOLY SPIRIT SCHOOL



**11<sup>th</sup> 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 12<sup>th</sup>** Holy Spirit will be hosting their 9<sup>th</sup> 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 28<sup>th</sup> and \$30 if purchased after December 28<sup>th</sup>** (coffee and dessert included). **Feel free to bring you 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.