



# 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  
Polish Mass every third Saturday of each month at 7:00 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 6:00 PM followed by the Mass at 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 on Sunday, with the exception of major holidays. Baptisms during Mass or at any other Time are to be arranged 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: 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 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 ext. 12.

## PARISH STAFF

Fr. Dominik Bakowski	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 Director
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. Dominik Bakowski	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. Dominik Bakowski	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. Dominik Bakowski	696-4411
Greeters	Lysandra Kuroly	706-8482
Hall Rental	Julia Brady	jbrady6@yahoo.com
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	Mary O'Reilly	633-8009
Warming Bee	Antoinette VanWyck	694-1818
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

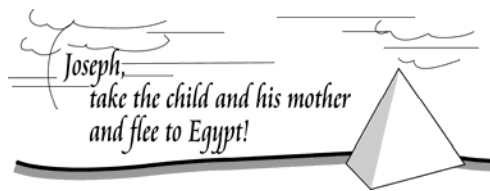
Email: stjoelp@optonline.net

Parish Website: stjosephparishnj.org

Facebook: @Stjoelp

## THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

DECEMBER 29, 2019



### TODAY'S READINGS

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14; Col 3:12-; Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

### DAILY READINGS

#### **Monday**

1 Jn 2:12-17; Lk 2:36-40

#### **Tuesday**

1 Jn 2:18-21; Jn 1:1-18

#### **Wednesday**

Nm 6:22-27; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

#### **Thursday**

1 Jn 2:22-28; Jn 1:19-28

#### **First Friday**

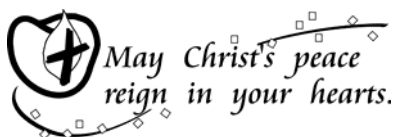
1 Jn 2:29-3:6; Jn 1:29-34

#### **First Saturday**

1 Jn 3:7-10; Jn 1:35-42

### MASS INTENTIONS & SCHEDULE

Saturday	5:30 PM	Frank Joyce – Fam Peggy DeLuca – Clark Fam
Sunday	8:00 AM	Nigro & Santoro Families – Santoro Fam
	10:00 AM	Jack Bator & Norman Gravino – Fam David Frank Vitale – R Vitale
	12:00 PM	Jean Caputo – Mulhearn Fam Peggy Piccoli – E Nardella
Spanish Mass	7:00 PM	For the Parish
Monday	7:00 PM	Arthur Menza – A Rafael Michael O'Shea (In Healing) – G O'Shea
Tuesday	4:00 PM	Dr. David Rasa – Rasa Fam
<b>(New Year's Eve)</b>		
Wednesday	9:00 AM	For the Parish
<b>(New Year's Day)</b>	11:00 AM	For the Parish
Thursday	8:00 AM	Junita Gonzales & Katherine O'Shea – G O'Shea
Friday	8:00 AM	Gwen Opalka – Fam
First Friday	6:30 PM	For the Parish
Saturday	5:30 PM	Joe Burka – D&K Petrow Peg Piccoli – R&M Williams
Sunday	8:00 AM	Richard "Buddy" Iapoco – Fam
1/5/20	10:00 AM	John F Bower, Sr – Sr. Ellen
	12:00 PM	Ruben Martinez, Jr – Santoro Fam Milko Kamas – D&P Folenta
Spanish Mass	7:00 PM	For the Parish



### SHARING OUR TREASURE

***Due to an early holiday deadline by the publication company, the collection information will be published in the January 5, 2020 bulletin.***

There's only one perfect family in the world. Its members are the ones who live down the street, and the only reason why we think that they are perfect is that we don't know what is going on inside their homes. Yet, even with all our flaws and inconsistencies, we still can work at a being a better, more loving family.

One of the essential factors in our conversion as a family or as individuals within a family is to commit ourselves to our own conversion. If we wait for the others to make the first move, then we will probably be trapped in a long stalemate. Each person has to be willing to be vulnerable and to take the risk of being the first to reach out and trust.

As we conclude the calendar, praying for our family, we look to the family of Nazareth as a model. Surely they were tried by travel, poverty, oppressive government edicts, forced to take part in a census, flee a treacherous dictator, but united in the presence of the Christ.

Paul's teaching allows us to take stock of our own home and family life. Each virtue he names is like a different room in our home, or steps we ascend daily. If one is missing we can look for it as we begin a new year.

May we 'dedicate ourselves to thankfulness'; for all the blessings given our family this year and seek His blessings as we turn the page to 2020.

### MEMORIALS

The sanctuary lamp will burn in loving memory of  
*Rocco & Jean Caputo ~ Family*

### LECTOR SCHEDULE

#### 12/28 & 12/29

5:30 PM Ellen Corbiere      10:00 AM Anthony Rigano  
8:00 AM Christina Hucalla      12:00 PM George Altonjy

### OFFICE CLOSING

The parish office will be closed **Tuesday, December 31<sup>st</sup>** and **Wednesday, January 1<sup>st</sup>**. However, if you or anyone needs a priest, a Mass card or to connect with the parish office, we ask that you call or email and leave a message. The staff will be monitoring both by computer and by phone for any concerns.

**“To everything there is a season and a time for every purpose.” Ecc. 3:1**

**Patricia Behnke & Dawn Schworn**

**“a time to heal...”**

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

Ruth Vitale, Luciana Humphrey, Maggie Palma, Brandon Crowell, Mary Alice Kerwin, Judy Porter, Luann Lanzerotti Jones, Eileen Bradley, Clara Humphrey, Jim Bradley, Jolson Regencia, Leonice Duaret, Jackie & Brian Bycheck, Carol Olsen, John Roselli, Emilia Moye, Gianna Matthews, Patricia Pagdanganan, Herbie Giardino, Roseann Post, Karen Camporeale, Debra O'Shea, Toni Toranto, Joseph VanDunk, Thomas Ketteler, 4Samuel Iasso, Steven Duarte, Edel Montoya, Joan Cronin, Patricia Morelli, Mary Kay Klein, Rose Fedor, 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'Alesandro, Eileen Jones, Larry Embley, Christopher Shomenta, Karl Stumpf, Phil Leto, Ewk Purenko, Walter Condon, Jr, Marion Tallia, Nathan Grompone, Eugene Tensen, John Mooney, Pat Tafuri-Leto, Donna Tafuri-Roselli, Lou Tafuri, Alexander Parany, Judy Lorincz, Jill Cerullo, Maria Gerena, Edith Thomas, Paul Fitzpatrick, Rev Ricardo Ortega, Barbara Arvus, Chick DeVito, Toni Basilio, Greg Hunziker, Leonard Rizzolo, Pam Miles, Kathleen Wisniewski, Maureen Carson, Christopher & Diane Hunziker, Matthew Saenz, Ashley Saenz, Marguerite McGrath, Cassie Lynn, Baby Noah, Mrs. Gloria Torrito, Kima Tan, Michelle Manna, Pam Teehan, Martin Brennan, Donna Niforos, Concepcion Fernandez, Joseph & Angelina Napoli

### **'OPEN MIC'**

It is as the name suggests... microphones will be provided in Halloran Hall for those who wish to share their gifts and talents. Our Open Mic will be on Saturday, **January 25<sup>th</sup> from 7pm – 9pm.** We are looking for singers, musicians, stand-up acts, etc... as singles, duos or a small group. Performers are to sign-up no later than January 22<sup>nd</sup> and time slots will be allocated. Acts must be suitable for the venue and within a time frame. We hope to have about 15 performances from all ages. All are most welcome to attend... bring your own snacks and enjoy the performers.



### **NEW YEAR'S PRAYER**

*Dear God,*

*Thank you that you make all things new. Thank you for all that you've allowed into our lives this past year, the good along with the hard things, which have reminded us how much we need you and rely on your presence filling us every single day. We pray for your Spirit to lead us each step of this New Year.*

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

### **GRADES K-8**

- Dec 29** No CCD – Christmas Recess
- Jan 5** Classes resume for grades K – 5
- Jan 7** Classes resume for grades 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>
- Jan 12** Grade 8 Class Mass @ 10am
- Jan 26** Testing for 5<sup>th</sup> grade
- Jan 28** Testing for 8<sup>th</sup> grade

For more information or to request forms, please call 973.696.4411 x10.

### **CONFIRMATION PROGRAM**

- Jan 5<sup>th</sup>** Confirmation Sophomore/Sponsor Brunch, 10am, Hall
- Jan 5<sup>th</sup>** Class, 7pm

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

### **CHRISTMAS PAGEANT**

We thank the children of our parish for telling the real meaning of Christmas. They beautifully acted out the nativity story with scripture and music. The pageant cast is as follows: Kelly Colfin, Willy Cardillo, Liam Hansen, Johanna Toth, Nico Scardilli, Matthew Collucci, Shaan Patel, Erik Toth, Julian Garcia, Joshua Michael, Anthony Mantione, Anthony Delgado Michael Schmiedhauser, Justin Gough, Francesca Jose, Yanelly Delgado, Gwendelyn Hansen, Meliha Cardillo, Mia Manticone, Bridget Stager, Suriya Patel Shaila Patel, Brooke Monza and Elena Thomas.



### **ST. JOSEPH'S PRESENTS...**

A Pacific Northwest & California Trip from October 5 – October 12, 2020. Eight days of travel to: Seattle, Mount St. Helens Visitor Center, Portland, Columbia River Gorge, Hood River, Newport, Bandon State Natural Area, Rogue River Cruise, Redwood National Park, Avenue of the Giants and San Francisco. Price includes round-trip air from Newark Airport, air taxes & fees/surcharges, hotel transfer and 10 meals (6 breakfasts, 1 lunch and 3 dinners). A special travel presentation will take place on **Wednesday, February 12, 2020 at 5PM** in Halloran Hall for anyone interested. Brochures are in the back of as well.

### **GREETERS NEEDED**

The Greeters are the first people everyone sees when they walk through the doors and enter the church. They welcome everyone to Mass and extend a special warmth on behalf of the family of St. Joseph. We have many wonderful 'Greeters' but are seeking new friendly faces (individuals and families) to join us. Please contact Deanna Colaizzi at 973.980.9811 if you are interested.

## THANK YOU TO ALL!!!

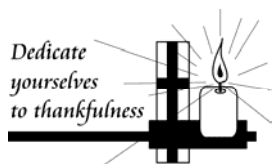
Each year during the Advent Season the parishioners at St. Joseph make a huge effort to make sure that those in need or those who have no one are remembered at Christmas. Always this holiday season taxes our time; yet so many people take on extra shopping and extra spending to reach out to others. This is a wonderful tribute to all of you/us who make up the family of St. Joseph. Over 500 gifts were received for the Nursing Homes and over 300 gifts for families which includes 50 children in our area. Hats off to everyone who responded with such heart!! It was **above and beyond generous!!** The goodness of this parish is a true sign of God's presence in our midst. We especially thank all the people who serve on the committees who make this all happen.

In Addition, The Christian Service Committee would like to sincerely thank the Lincoln Park Police Department for their donation of Shoprite gift cards and toys for our Giving Tree and Weichert Realtors for their generous donation of toys. It was greatly appreciated.



## INFORMATION ON CHRISTMAS OCTAVE

Catholics recognize that Christmas is not only on December 25. The Church recognizes that the days of the Christmas Octave are repeating the solemnity of Christmas for eight days, concluding on a high note with another solemnity that echoes the solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord. The liturgy gives the clues that every day within the octave is treated the same as the original solemnity of the Nativity of our Lord. The Octave of Christmas ends on January 1<sup>st</sup> the Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God.



## A SPECIAL THANK YOU

Thank you to Ray and Joan Kerwin, Dede Duffy, Jim Hemmel, Ron and Linda Nazario, Ursula Daidone, Marriane Ferraro and Kathy Sepede for their hard work in decorating our church for the Christmas Season. It looks beautiful!



## CELEBRATION FOR THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

On **Sunday, January 12, 2020**, there will be a special liturgy honoring all the babies who were **baptized at St. Joseph's in the past year**. The celebration will begin with a welcoming Mass at 12 PM. Personal letters were sent to each family. Please join us for this wonderful tradition at St. Joseph Parish!



## **Area Happenings**

### HOLY SPIRIT SCHOOL COMEDY NIGHT

Holy Spirit will be hosting their 9<sup>th</sup> annual Comedy Night at The Holy Spirit School Parish Center on **Saturday, January 25<sup>th</sup>**. Enjoy a night of laughter featuring **RICHIE BYRNE & JOSEPH ANTHONY!** Doors open at 7 PM. Show begins promptly at 8:30 PM. **Tickets purchased by January 10<sup>th</sup> are \$25 each. Tickets purchased after January 10<sup>th</sup> will be \$30 each.** Coffee and dessert are 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 you may call or text 862.228.3430 evenings and weekends. Only adults 21 and older will be permitted. This is a reserved seating event. All proceeds will benefit the graduating 8<sup>th</sup> grade students of Holy Spirit School.

### LINCOLN PARK FOOD PANTRY

Aluminum pans/tins for turkeys, stuffing mix, canned yams, sweet potatoes or canned potatoes, canned or jar gravy, mustard/ mayo/ketchup, salad dressings, pork & beans, Knorr sides, sugar/flour, oatmeal, coffee, soup, dish/laundry detergent, paper plates/napkins, plastic wrap/foil and baggies, body wash and bar soap.

**Please leave donations in the back of church.**

**Thank you**