

**Year of
St. Joseph**
12-8-20 to 12-8-21

Welcoming the Will of God [By Vatican News](#)

St. Joseph is “an accepting Father,” because he “accepted Mary unconditionally” — an important gesture even today, says Pope Francis, “in our world where psychological, verbal and physical violence towards women is so evident.” But the Bridegroom of Mary is also the one who, trusting in the Lord, accepts in his life even the events that he does not understand, “setting aside his own ideas” and reconciling himself with his own history.

With “Holy Spirit’s gift of fortitude,” and full of hope, Joseph is able “to accept life as it is, with all its contradictions, frustrations and disappointments.” In practice, through St. Joseph, it is as if God were to repeat to us: “Do not be afraid!” because “faith gives meaning to every event, however happy or sad,” and makes us aware that “God can make flowers spring up from stony ground.” Joseph “did not look for shortcuts but confronted reality with open eyes and accepted personal responsibility for it.”



2021 Mass Book Now Open

A Church tradition invites people to offer a Mass for a deceased loved one, a special intention for healing, in thanksgiving for a special blessing, or an occasion such as a wedding anniversary or birthday. You may email or call the parish office, 482-4640, to make a request.

*Customary donation, \$10 without card,
\$15 with a special Mass card.*

Please pray for the following Military Personnel who are currently in active duty service:

- SrA Sean Graham, USAF
 - Lt Kyle Daugherty, USMC
 - SSgt Francis J Reddy, USAF
 - SrA William F Reddy, USAF
 - Capt Sean Muth, USN
 - SrA Patrick Graham, USAF Reserves
- Parish families who have an active military member, please email the parish office and provide their name, rank and which branch of service.*



Have you thought about becoming more active in your parish?

Would you like to learn about the theology and practicalities of serving as a Lector or an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion?

Through instructional videos and short quizzes available online, deepen your connection to these ministries and earn your certification in as little as two hours.

Sign up at <https://nyliturgy.teachable.com/>



Visit our [parish website](#) for more information.

Many thanks to all those who so generously support the weekly collections, various fundraisers, and Archdiocesan appeals and campaigns that help us keep our parish up and running, maintain our beautiful churches, and support the good works of the ArchNY. Last year, your support restored the stained glass windows at St. Francis and resealed the driveways at both St. George and St. Francis, allowing us to look our best when the churches reopened following the coronavirus shutdown. In the upcoming weeks the steam boiler at St. George will be replaced for approximately \$8,500.

Your continued support is needed and appreciated!

St. George ~ St. Francis

Roman Catholic in our Faith; Franciscan in our Tradition



“The kingdom of God
is at hand.
Repent, and believe
in the gospel.”

Sacraments

Baptism - Fourth Sunday - Private preparation two weeks in advance.

Marriages - Initial contact with Pastor six months before marriage date.

Confessions - Thirty minutes before each weekend Mass.

Pastoral Visitations

If you, or someone known to you is in an area Nursing Home, Hospital, or would just appreciate a home visit from the Pastor or a Pastoral Visitor, please notify the office.

Parish Registration

If you are moving into or out of the parish, please notify the office.

Mass Schedule:

- Weekdays 8:00 AM St. Kateri Tekakwitha Chapel in St. George rectory
- Saturday Vigil 4:00 PM St. George
- Sunday 7:30 AM & 11:00 AM St. George
- Sunday 9:00 AM St. Francis

Sunday, January 24, 2021

Year of St. Joseph

*Third Sunday
in Ordinary Time*

Jonah 3: 1-5, 10
1 Corinthians 7: 29-31
Mark 1: 14-20

**Serving the Catholic community in
Jeffersonville and Youngsville, NY**

**St. George Church, Rectory,
& Parish Office:**

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Please Pray for the Sick of Our Parish

Requests for prayers will be published for four weeks, unless the requests are renewed from time to time. Please phone Roseann 482-4640.



Aldona Harder, Regina Wagner, Christina Hubert, Isabell Sander, Sr. Dolores, Joe Nosek, Sr. Margaret Ellen Burke, Terence Connolly, John Tardibuono, Yvonne Schmidt, Gerri Keane, Sam Cuda, Lilli Black, Maureen Whipple, Elizabeth Gieger, Deacon Larry Knack, Walter Madden, Thomas Boxberger, Carlolyn McGuire, for all those suffering with coronavirus, and for the deceased, Joseph Ducey.

Daily Mass Intentions

Saturday January 23

4:00 PM - Robert & Kathleen Johnson by their family

Sunday January 24

7:30 - Wilhelm & Rosalia Rothel By the Sattler family

9:00 - A 25th Anniversary Remembrance by Joe Anne Baker

11:00 - Jack Egglar By JP & Cheryl Graham

Monday January 25

8:00 AM - John O'Toole by Ed & Laurene McKenna

Tuesday January 26

8:00 AM - William Hennig By Henry & Anna Kubenik

Wednesday January 27

8:00 AM - Rosemary Kowalski on the occasion of her 95th birthday

Thursday January 28

8 AM - Frances Tagliaferro By Thomas & Linda Hauschild

Friday January 29

8:00 AM - Rose Natale By the Rotondo family

Saturday January 30

4:00 PM - Helen Peters By the LaJoie & Peters family

Sunday January 31

7:30 - Joseph & Anna Natale By the Rotondo family

9:00 - John O'Toole By JP & Cheryl Graham

11:00 - Mark Lupardo By Anthony Lupardo family

Now Is The Time, *from Intercom, The Deep End*

More than 50 years ago, in his famous 'I have a dream' speech, Martin Luther King Jr talked about 'the fierce urgency of now'. He urged people to take positive action and to march forward together to address inequality and injustice, and his energy and conviction brought about massive change.

That sense of 'fierce urgency' seems to grab Jesus and the disciples in today's Gospel. In the opening chapters of Mark's Gospel everything happens 'at once' or immediately. There is a sense of hurry; the time has come, the kingdom of God is near, and Jesus needs helpers to work alongside him. Simon, Andrew, James and John are certainly ready, so ready that they are prepared to leave behind their livelihoods, and even their families, to attend to the urgent business of spreading the Good News.

Jesus asks the same of us, his modern-day disciples: 'Follow me'. We are summoned too. We are challenged to set aside our worldly concerns, to see the world in a new way, and to begin a new adventure with Jesus. For every person in our world who is suffering or oppressed or in need, there is a 'fierce urgency of now'. The work of the kingdom is too immediate to wait.

'This is no time to engage in the luxury of cooling off or to take the tranquilizing drug of gradualism. Now is the time to make justice a reality for all of God's children... The whirlwinds of revolt will continue to shake the foundations of our nation until the bright day of justice emerges.' Martin Luther King Jr

OFFERTORY REPORT

January 17, 2020

First Collection

St. George - \$1,589.

St. Francis - \$291.

2nd Collection for Parish Religious Education

St. George - \$457.

St. Francis - \$73.

Next Week's Readings

January 31, 2021

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Deuteronomy 18: 15-20

1 Corinthians 7: 32-35

Mark 1: 21-28

CHURCH ACTIVITY CALENDAR

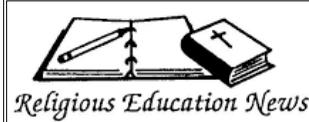
January 24 - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, 2nd collection for insurance

January 31 - Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time, 2nd collection for fuel

February 7 - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, 2nd collection for the religious education program

February 14 - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, 2nd collection for insurance

The 2021 Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal has begun. Our parish goal is \$14,500. You may receive a letter in the mail with a pledge card that allows for a pledge paid over time, or a one time donation. Please use the next month to prayerfully consider your donation. Commitment weekend is March 7 & 8.



Religious Education News

Important reminder, if the Sullivan West Elementary School closes due to COVID-19, Religious Education classes in our parish will be canceled for the duration of the Sullivan West closure.

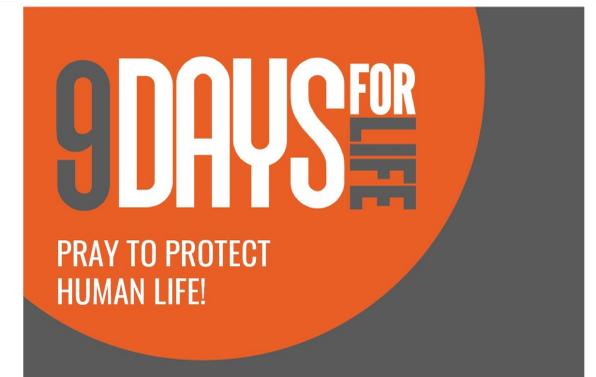
CHILD PROTECTION *Required Announcement*

Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by a priest, deacon, religious or lay person serving in the Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact Eileen Mulcahy at 646-794-2949. Mrs. Mulcahy may also be reached via e-mail at victimsassistance@archny.org. Information can also be found on the Archdiocesan website, www.archny.org. In keeping with the Archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure.

Financial Wrongdoing Hotline

The Archdiocese of New York takes stewardship of your donations seriously. If you have knowledge of or reason to suspect misconduct, please report your concerns via a toll-free hotline at 877-820-0541 or on the internet at <http://www.reportlineweb.com/ADNY>.

Reminder: Donations to the Parish Made by Check: Please remember that all contributions made to the parish by check should be made payable to the Parish in the church's name. Contributions to be made to a Parish by check should **NOT** be made payable to the Pastor, Administrator, or any Parish employee.



JANUARY 21-29, 2021

9 Days for Life is a novena for the protection of human life. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life. Join today at www.9daysforlife.com!



3 WAYS TO JOIN



9DaysforLife.com

St. George ~ St. Francis Parish is now on

Facebook

Look for Saint George & Saint Francis

[@stgeorgestfrancis](https://www.facebook.com/stgeorgestfrancis)

GIFT SHOPS

St. George - Danielle Corcillo, Saturday Mass Mon - Wed, see office staff

St. Francis - before & after 9:00 AM Mass Mary Nosek (482-4292) Susan Busing (701-0907)

Use of Parish Spaces: Anyone having an event involving the use of St. George ~ St. Francis Parish must contact the Parish Office at least one month in advance.