



Church of St. Joseph

149 Cottage Street, Middletown, N.Y. 10940 † (845) 343-6013

Third Sunday of Lent

March 19, 2017

Traditionally St. Joseph's Day

Mass for St. Joseph's Day will be offered on Monday
March 20 at 7:30am & 12:10pm in the Chapel

PARENT BAPTISMAL INSTRUCTION

Meetings in the Parish Center
English: 3rd Saturday, 9:15 to 10:15 a.m.
Spanish: 4th Saturday, 9:00 to 10:00 a.m.

ST. JOSEPH'S RELIGIOUS GIFT SHOP

9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. & 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Sunday

MARRIAGES

For registered parishioners. Arrangements must be made at least 6 months in advance.

PASTORAL VISITS

Communion for the home-bound and anointing of the sick: call the rectory.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (RCIA)

For adults interested in becoming Catholics and for Catholics who need to receive Communion and/or Confirmation. Please call the Rectory: 343-6013.

LITURGY

Eucharistic Ministers: *Coordinator*, Deacon Trapani
Lector Coordinator: Martin Suchy
Organist: Mr. Joseph Bertolozzi

DEVOTIONS

Miraculous Medal Novena and Rosary:
Mondays 7:00 p.m.
Perpetual Adoration In Chapel: 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
First Friday: Holy hour 8:00-9:00 p.m.
First Saturday: Rosary after the 8:00 a.m. Mass
First Saturday: Holy hour 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. in Spanish
Rosary Crusade for Life: First Sunday of the month, 4:00-5:00 p.m.

PARISH SERVICES

Parish Website: www.sjchurch.com

Rev. Dennis A. Nikolić, Pastor
Rev. Alejandro Sanchez, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Thomas A. Roslak, Hospital Chaplain
Rev. Ngozi Osuji, Prison Chaplain
Rev. Donald Timone, In Residence
Deacon Richard Trapani
Deacon Albert Loeffler
Deacon Alexander Gapay
Deacon Michael Brescia

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Coordinator: Angelica Frausto, 343-4415

SUNDAY MASS

Saturday evening: 5:30
Sunday morning: 7:00, 9:00, 9:00 (Latin), 11:30
Sunday afternoon: 1:00 -- en Español

DAILY MASS

Monday - Friday: 7:30 a.m., & 12:10 p.m.
Wednesday: 7:00 p.m. en Espanol
Saturday: 8:00 a.m.

HOLY DAYS

Mass and Confession schedule announced ahead of time.

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays: 4:15 to 5:00 & 7:30 to 8:00 p.m.
Eve of First Friday: 4:15 to 5:00 p.m.
Also by appointment.

BAPTISMS

For registered parishioners, by appointment, after instruction. Sundays at 2:30 p.m., 2nd through last Sunday in English, 1st Sunday in Spanish.



Welcome To
Our Parish

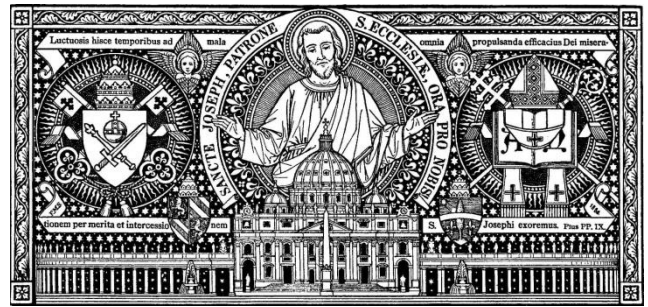
**THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT
MARCH 19, 2017**



March 19– March 26

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| SAT: | 5:30pm | Margarita & Giuseppe Rotundo |
| SUN: | 7:00am | All Parishioners Living & Deceased |
| | 9:00am | Van Sciver & Patruno Family
Edwin Russell |
| | 11:30am | Rebecca Glickman |
| | 1:00pm | Mauricio Heredia Soriano |
| MON: | 7:30am | Catherine Tarrant |
| | 12:10pm | Nicola da Tolentino |
| TUE: | 7:30am | Carmella & Anthony Mansueto |
| | 12:10pm | Angie Lutrario |
| WED. | 7:30am | Tomaso Nieves |
| | 12:10pm | Joseph, Theresa, & Sal
Stellato |
| THUR: | 7:30am | Patrick & Agnes Foley |
| | 12:10pm | Maddalena & Salvatore Motta |
| FRI: | 7:30am | Bill Spear |
| | 12:10pm | Peter Cortese & Rose Cortese
Benton |
| SAT: | 8:00am | May Piccolo |
| | 5:30pm | Genevieve Maruszewski |
| SUN: | 7:00am | All Parishioners Living & Deceased |
| | 9:00am | Mildred D. Lamberti
Ralph & Antoinette Damiano
& Family |
| | 11:30am | Michael Krause |
| | 1:00pm | Mauricio Heredia Soriano |

Note: Monday through Friday, 12:10pm mass is offered for an increase in vocations. An additional intention may be requested.



PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH

O Blessed Saint Joseph, faithful guardian and protector of virgins, to whom God entrusted Jesus and Mary, I implore you by the love which you did bear them, to preserve me from every defilement of soul and body, that I may always serve them in holiness and purity of love. Amen.



**PERPETUAL
EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Every hour of every day Jesus waits in the Blessed Sacrament desiring us to visit Him. We are able to continue Perpetual Adoration only because of dedicated Guardians who commit to one specific hour each week. This group of dedicated Guardians assures that Jesus, exposed in the Blessed Sacrament is continually adored and never left alone. EVERY hour of the day and night is open for you. Especially needed are people for the middle of the night but any hour that you choose is a good one. Is Jesus calling to you to become a Guardian? For more information call Marty/Clarice Suchy 692-4510.

- Sunday 2-3 AM**
- Sunday 3-4 AM**
- Tuesday 3-4 AM**
- Friday 1-2 AM**

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

"In the first 12 days of the current campaign 98 babies have been saved from abortion." You can be a part of this loving outreach. The campaign is three pronged: prayer, fasting and public witness. Perhaps you cannot stand witness at Planned Parenthood. However you can pray a rosary or a chaplet of Divine Mercy to help change a mother's mind. Choose a penance and offer it up for the unborn. You can be a big part of this life saving work.

APOSTOLATE OF PRAYER

Parishes of the Orange County Vicariate are uniting in prayer each day throughout the year for the members of our beloved clergy. Please remember:

March 19	Cardinal Dolan Auxiliary Bishops
March 20	Rev. Michael Palazzo Rev. Niranjan Rodrigo
March 21	Rev. Matthew Newcomb Deacon Jack Seymour
March 22	Rev. Michael Cedro Rev. Joseph Emmanuel
March 23	Rev. Joseph Fallon Deacon Donald Halter
March 24	Rev. Thomas Roslak Rev. Jack Arlotta
March 25	Deceased priests



LENTEN PRAYER SERVICE

On Tuesday, March 21st at 7:00pm, there will be a meditative prayer service for Lent in the Main Church.

The Prayer Service includes scripture readings, music, and prayers that lead us into a deeper meditative prayer.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be made available to anyone who wants to go to confession. We urge all come and pray with us on this night.



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Stations of the Cross will be conducted on Wednesday's after the 12:10pm Mass and on Friday's at 7:00pm in the main Church.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

As part of their alms-giving during Lent, Religious Education children and their families are supporting Catholic Charities. Catholic Charities is a local organization that provides community services to Orange and Sullivan Counties. This activity occurs during the Holy Season of Lent to familiarize children the spirit of alms-giving and the personal sacrifices we offer to God in preparation for the celebration of the Easter Season.

EASTER FLOWERS

It's still not too late to contribute to our Easter Flower Collection. The envelopes can be put in the regular collection or in the container at Our Lady's Altar. Please help support this worthwhile project that the Altar Rosary Society has been conducting for many years.

THE CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION

Next weekend March 24th and 25th there will be a second collection for the Catholic Relief Services. Each time we encounter a suffering person, we encounter Jesus in disguise. The Catholic Relief Services Collection funds six Catholic agencies that serve the disguised Jesus in our suffering brothers and sisters around the world. His disguise might be that of those suffering from natural disaster, those displaced by violence or war, or those migrants searching for a better life. **disguise.** Envelopes are at the doors of the church for anyone who may need one.



HOSPITALITY SUNDAY

Sunday, March 26th is Hospitality Sunday. Please join us after the 9:00am Mass for a little reception in the Parish Center Meeting Room. This is a great opportunity to socialize and get to meet new friends. Please come and join us.

SANCTUS/HOLY, HOLY

The music and words for the Latin form of the "Holy Holy," which we are using during Lent, is found in the back of the Missalette, song #178, titled "Sanctus."

HEALING MASS

A Healing Mass will be held on Thursday, March 30, 2017 at 7:00pm at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, 70 Carmelite Drive, Middletown, NY. Anyone who wishes to receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick for a physical, spiritual or emotional illness in their lives are welcomed to attend. For further information contact Carol Bezak, Shrine Director at 845-343-1879.

SHORTER NOTICES

† **PORK DINNER:** Tickets are available at the Parish Office, Monday – Friday from 9am-4pm. Adults \$12, children 5-12 & 8 and under 5 are free. Come and enjoy a good meal and good company.

Lenten Sacrifice

There are many ways of making sacrifices for lent. One very good way would be to commit to an hour of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament each week during Lent. You can pick any hour of the day or night.

To sign up contact Clarice or Marty Suchy at 692 - 4510

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

First Reading: Exodus 17:3-7

This story from Exodus reveals that the Israelites, after their escape from Egypt, cast all blame for their sufferings on Moses. In this instance, they were dying of thirst. When Moses appealed to the Lord, the Lord directed Moses to strike a rock and water would gush forth.

Second Reading: Romans 5:1-2, 5-8

Paul reminds the Romans that because Christ died for all people, they are acceptable in God's sight.

Gospel: John 4:5-42

Jesus converses with the Samaritan woman at Jacob's Well. When Jesus indicates that whoever drinks from the water He gives will never be thirsty again, the woman immediately answers, "Give me this water, sir..." Jesus then reveals that she has had five husbands and tells her that He is the Messiah. The woman believes Jesus and proclaims this news to all the townspeople, who believe her and come to see Jesus



FOOD FOR THE POOR

Our monthly food drive for the poor will be held next weekend. Do bring some canned or packaged foods when you come to mass. Please leave your food donations at the doors of the church. All canned, packaged and dried foods are welcome, but there is always a special need for items such as: **canned spaghetti** or **ravioli**, fruits, soups, **tuna fish**, **spam**, or other meats, rice, **peanut butter** and jelly and cereal.

2017 ARCHDIOCES OF NEW YORK MENS CONFERENCE

Cardinal Dolan is extending a special invitation for husbands, sons and brothers to join him at the 2017 Archdiocesan Men's Conference on Saturday, April 1st at St. Joseph's Seminary in Yonkers.

The theme for the conference is "Faith Every Day," and it is his hope that you will be inspired, but also come away with practical ways to continue living out your Catholic faith beyond Sunday. For more information and to register, please visit www.ArchNYMensConference.eventbrite.com

LITURGY OF GOOD FRIDAY SEMINAR

Join Fr. Matthew Ernest, S.T.D., Professor of Liturgy at St. Joseph's Seminary and Director of the Archdiocesan Liturgy Office for an informative discussion of the history, theology, reforms, and pastoral implementation of the solemn celebration of the Friday of the Passion of the Lord during the Sacred Triduum. It will be held on Friday, March 24 at 7pm at St. Joseph's Seminary, Yonkers, NY. This is a free event. For more information: nyliturgy.org/workshop

DAY OF RECOLLECTION FOR PARISH MUSICIANS

A day of prayer, reflection, and music-making with parish musicians from around the Archdioceses will be held on Saturday, March 25 from 10am-3pm at the Marymount Convent, Tarrytown, NY. Music directors, adult choir members, instrumentalists, and others involved in parish music ministry are invited to this day of spiritual recollection and musical fellowship. The cost is \$10 to defray the cost of lunch. For more information and for registration go to: nyliturgy.org/workshops

PRAYER SERVICE FOR LENT



Tuesday, March 21st 7:00pm

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Devotions for Lent at the Church of St. Joseph

March 21, 2017 7:00pm Tuesday: Prayer service with meditative music and readings

March 22, 2017 12:45pm Wednesday: Stations of the Cross

March 24, 2017 7:00pm Friday: Stations of the Cross with Benediction in English
8:00pm Stations of the Cross with Benediction in Spanish

March 29, 2017 12:45pm Wednesday: Stations of the Cross

March 31, 2017 7:00pm Friday: Stations of the Cross with Benediction in English
8:00pm Stations of the Cross with Benediction in Spanish

April 1, 2017 7:00pm Saturday Holy Hour in Spanish in Blessed Sacrament Chapel

April 2, 2017 4:00pm Sunday: Rosary Crusade for Life (*in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel*)

April 5, 2017 12:45pm Wednesday Stations of the Cross

April 6, 2017 Thursday: 4:15pm Confessions

April 7, 2017 7:00pm Friday: Stations of the Cross with Benediction in English
8:00pm Stations of the Cross with Benediction in Spanish
8:00pm First Friday Holy Hour in Blessed Sacrament Chapel

April 8, 2017 5:30pm Saturday: Solemn Vigil for Palm Sunday (*begins in the gymnasium*)

April 10, 2017 Reconciliation Monday: Confessions 3:00pm – 9:00pm

April 13, 2017 Holy Thursday: Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper (*English / Spanish*)

April 14, 2017 Good Friday: 9:30am Stations of the Cross Procession(*English / Spanish*)
11:00am Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion in Spanish
3:00pm Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion in English

**Nb: There are no Confessions on Holy Saturday, April 15. The Church and Chapel are closed. The Vigil Mass is at 7:00pm.*