



# Church of St. Joseph

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## Second Sunday of Ordinary Time January 19, 2020

Very Rev. Dennis A. Nikolić, V.F., Pastor  
Rev. Seán M. Connolly, Parochial Vicar  
Rev. Simon Nwachukwu, Hospital Chaplain  
Deacon Richard Trapani  
Deacon Albert Loeffler  
Deacon Alexander Gapay

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Coordinator: Ms. Linda Byrons: 845-343-4415

### 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. and 12:10 p.m.  
Wednesday: 7:00 p.m. -- en Español  
Saturday: 8:00 a.m.

### HOLY DAYS

Mass and Confession schedule announced ahead of time.

### CONFESSIONS

Saturdays: 4:15-5:00 p.m. and 7:30-8:00 p.m.  
Other occasions as announced  
Also by appointment

### BAPTISMS

For registered parishioners, by appointment, after instruction. Sundays at 2:30 p.m.; second through last Sunday in English, first Sunday in Spanish.

### PARENT BAPTISMAL INSTRUCTION

Meetings in the Parish Center  
English: Third Saturday, 9:15-10:15 a.m.  
Spanish: Fourth Saturday, 9:00-10:00 a.m.

### 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: please call the Rectory: 845-343-6013.

### 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: 845-343-6013.

### LITURGY

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

### DEVOTIONS

Perpetual Adoration In Chapel: 24 hours a day,  
7 days a week.  
Miraculous Medal Novena: Mondays, 7:00 p.m.  
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

Food Pantry: Wednesdays 10:00 a.m. -12:00 noon  
Senior Dining: Serving lunch Mon.-Fri. 845-956-1428  
Parish Website: [www.SJChurch.com](http://www.SJChurch.com)  
Parish E-Mail: [Parish@SJChurch.com](mailto:Parish@SJChurch.com)  
Youth Group: Schedule published in the bulletin

*Welcome to  
Our Parish*



SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME  
JANUARY 19, 2020



**MASS INTENTIONS**

for the Week of January 19 – January 26

<b>SAT:</b>	5:30pm	Thomas, Catherine, John & James Stanford
<b>SUN:</b>	7:00am	All Parishoners Living & Deceased
	9:00am	Aiden Jacob Desouza & Albertina Fernandez
<b>LATIN:</b>	9:00am	-- Intention Available --
	11:30am	Barry B. White
	1:00pm	-- por los difuntos --
<b>MON:</b>	7:30am	Christopher Arnita
	12:10pm	Reverend John F. Dwyer
<b>TUE:</b>	7:30am	Umberto Napoletano
	12:10pm	Umberto "Albert" Napoletano
<b>WED:</b>	7:30am	All Masses
	12:10pm	for the protection of
	7:00pm	Unborn Children
<b>THUR:</b>	7:30am	Ray Decker
	12:10pm	Elizabeth Ann "Berry" Hurd
<b>FRI:</b>	7:30am	Joseph & Elizabeth Woods
	12:10pm	Anna Iype
<b>SAT:</b>	8:00am	Helen & Martin Suchy
	5:30pm	All Parishoners Living & Deceased
<b>SUN:</b>	7:00am	Monsignor James White
	9:00am	Carmine Montalbano & Mary Olsen
<b>LATIN:</b>	9:00am	Teo Filo Aro
	11:30am	Ciro Ciccarelli
	1:00pm	-- por los difuntos --

**Note:** Mondays through Fridays, 12:10 p.m. Mass is offered for an increase in vocations. An additional intention may be requested.

**+ PRAY FOR +**  
Monsignor James White, Ronald Maidens,  
Jane W. Startup, Christopher Arnita,  
Mariantonia Drago, Reverend John F. Dwyer

PERPETUAL ADORATION



In the midst of a snowstorm, the day seems gray and bleak. It is easy to worry about the safety of our loved ones on the road, or whether we will be able to get out of the driveway in an emergency. Soon, the sun parts the clouds and blue skies are above. The beautiful crystal diamonds that lay across the snow remind us of God's awesome power and love. This sunlight makes our view entirely different!

Our lives can be a dreary gray place. Job insecurity, health insurance woes, an unruly child, a parent whose health is on the decline can dim our outlook. It may be difficult to be hopeful. This is when we especially need the Son. Jesus will open our eyes to see how He loves us and is waiting to help us. We can draw close to Him in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Even a short visit will renew and strengthen us for our cross.

Our Adoration Chapel is open 24/7. It remains open only because of dedicated Guardians who have committed to spending one specific hour with Jesus each week. Is Jesus calling you? Call **Marty** or **Clarice Suchy** at 845-692-4510.

HOURS OF SPECIAL NEED

**SUN: Midnight-1:00 a.m.**

**SUN: 4 a.m.-5 a.m.**

**MON: Noon- 1:00 p.m.**

**FRIDAY: Noon-1:00 p.m.**

**FOR WEATHER-RELATED CLOSINGS OF  
THE CHAPEL YOU MAY CALL THE  
CHAPEL RECORDING 845-956-1455**

*(this number might not work from a Spectrum house phone)*

**YOU MAY ALSO CALL: 845-343-6013, ext. 105**



## ST. JOSEPH'S PURGATORIAL SOCIETY

All parishioners have the opportunity to enroll the names of deceased loved ones in the Purgatorial Society. The Purgatorial Society Mass will be held on the last Friday of each month at 12:10 p.m. in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel beginning in January, 2020. The offering to be enrolled in the Purgatorial Society is **\$120** per name (a total of 12 Masses for one year will be said for your loved one). Please stop by the Parish Office if you are interested in having a loved one enrolled.

Aside from listing one name, the listing of a husband and wife together or a family name is also acceptable. Enrollment in the St. Joseph's Purgatorial Society is a great act of charity towards our beloved dead ensuring that they are being prayed for all year round at God's Altar. The names of the souls for whom we are praying will be visibly presented on an elegant board placed in the sanctuary at the Purgatorial Society Mass. You may enroll at any time during the year and will be contacted for the opportunity to renew your enrollment for another year just before the twelfth and final Mass of your enrollment is offered.

### St. Joseph's Purgatorial Society Form

Name of the soul to be prayed for at Mass:

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Name of the purchaser of the enrollment:

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Date on which this form is submitted to the Parish Office:

\_\_\_\_\_

Your contact information:

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**\$120 payment must be attached to this form.**

## SUPPORT OUR TROOPS

We are collecting supplies for our military troops stationed overseas. There is a need for certain items our troops aren't getting, as well as some things that remind them of the comforts of home. There will be a bin in the Church vestibule for you to put these items in. Please help to fill it up. Thank you for your generosity.

### Items requested:

- Propel powdered drink mix, single packs
- Nuts, seeds, jerky or Slim Jim's.
- Protein, and Granola bars, Pop Tarts.
- Liquid body soap, Shaving Cream.
- Coffee, already-ground Maxwell House, Folgers, etc.
- Breakfast essential drink packs or bars, Kellogg's or General Mills cereal in a cup or bowl.
- Powdered drink mixes, country time, Gatorade, Snapple, Wales, Crystal Light.
- Fruit or pudding cups.
- Cookies, chocolate chip, Oreos, Pretzels.

## SHORT THOUGHT ON THE SCRIPTURES

Just as the people were spellbound about Jesus, his "new teaching" and his special authority, we, too, are invited to give him our full attention. He brought new life to those who were sitting in darkness, in need of a clear vision to live by. He gives us ideals to aim at and an inspiring example to follow: His own.

-- Deacon Albert Loeffler

## FLU SEASON IS HERE

The flu season has started with medical personnel reminding us to wash our hands with warm, soapy water and to cover our coughs and sneezes.

At church, we will not offer the exchange of peace, as we have done in the past. Please respect your neighbors at Mass. We will resume inviting all to exchange a sign of peace when the flu season has passed.

## ST. JOSEPH'S YOUTH GROUP

Our youth group will meet this Sunday, **January 19**, at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center Gymnasium. All eighth-grade and high school-aged students are welcome. Upcoming youth group meetings will be held **February 2, February 16, March 1, March 15 and March 22.**

## TAX-RETURN TIME

If you would like a 2019 statement of contributions for tax purposes, please call the Parish Office at 845-343-6013. Please give us your name, envelope number and mailing address. Thank you.





## Religious Education

As we begin a new year, our Catechists are taking the children over to the Blessed Sacrament Chapel for brief periods of Eucharistic Adoration. A class "Holy Hour" with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament is being planned for each class.

We remind all catechists and parents that 50/50 Calendar Raffle tickets are still available in the Religious Education Office. If you have not purchased a calendar raffle, please stop in the office.

We have a full month of classes in January. In case of bad weather, please remember that we follow the Middletown School District. If Middletown Schools are closed ... we are closed. If after-school activities are cancelled ... Religious Education classes are cancelled.

### USE OF PARISH FACILITIES

Any organization that wants to reserve the Parish Center Gymnasium or meeting room, kitchen or the old Parish Center must contact the Rectory to fill out a request form and submit it at the Rectory for authorization from the pastor. Only parish-affiliated groups may use the facility. Organizations will be notified upon approval.

All forms must be completed in full and approved in order to reserve any of the facilities. Please note that it might take up to several weeks to obtain approval and that filling out the form neither guarantees availability nor approval of your event.

### HOSPITALITY SUNDAY

Sunday, **January 26**, is Hospitality Sunday. After the 9:00 a.m. Mass, please join us for a little reception in the Parish Center Meeting Room. This is a great opportunity to socialize, to meet fellow parishioners and to make new friends. Please come and join us.



### CHURCH PARKING/SNOW EMERGENCY

Please be advised that overnight parking on the church or cemetery grounds is not permitted. In the event of bad weather, it is essential to have the parking lots cleared of all vehicles. If you leave your car in the parking lot during a snow emergency, it may be necessary to have your car removed at your expense. Similarly the City of Middletown does not permit parking on the street during a snow emergency or at night.

## CHILD PROTECTION

Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by priest, deacon, religious or lay person serving in the Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact Sr. **Eileen Clifford**, O.P. at 212-371-1000, ext. 2949 or Deacon **George J. Coppola** at 917-861-1762. Both may also be reached via e-mail at [victimassistance@archny.org](mailto:victimassistance@archny.org) Information can also be found on the Archdiocese website [www.archny.org](http://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.

*Cualquier persona que necesite repórter algún incidente de abuso sexual de un menor por un sacerdote, diacono, religioso/a, o laico sirviendo en la Arquidiócesis de Nueva York, se le pide que por favor contacte Hermana **Eileen Clifford**, O.P. al (212)371-1000, extensión 2949 o Deacon **George Coppola** al 917-861-1762. Ambos también pueden ser contactados vía correo electrónico: [victimassistance@archny.org](mailto:victimassistance@archny.org) Para más información pueden visitar la página en la red de la Arquidiócesis: [www.archny.org](http://www.archny.org) De acuerdo con las normas de la Arquidiócesis respecto al abuso sexual de menores, esta información se provee para asegurar que nuestros niños permanezcan seguros.*

### SPREADING THE WORD

If you have an announcement of interest or importance to our Parish community, please submit it, in paragraph form, to the Church's email address: [parish@sjchurch.com](mailto:parish@sjchurch.com) Please include the time, date and site of your event plus the full name of a contact person, including a phone number. All items must be received no later than the Thursday that precedes the publication date by 10 days. Submissions may be edited for space considerations, and submitting an item is no guarantee of publication.

### FOOD PANTRY

*"For I was Hungry and you gave me food..."*

Our monthly food drive for the poor will be held next weekend. Do bring some canned food when you come to mass. You can leave your food at the doors of the Church or drop off at the rectory during the week. All canned foods are welcome, but there is always a special need for canned items such as: **spaghetti or ravioli, macaroni and cheese, cereal, soups, tuna, spam, or other meats, fruit, and peanut butter and jelly.**



We extend a special thank you to all the wonderful parishioners who continue to donate food to our food pantry each month. Without your help we would not be able to help so many people. Thanks again.