Schedule of Masses

Weekdays
Monday-Friday at 12:05pm

Weekends
Saturday (Sunday Vigil) at 5:00pm,
Sunday at 8:00am, 9:30am & 11:30am

Confessions
Saturday from 4:00-4:30pm
(or by appointment)

Adoration
First Fridays of the Month
after the 12:05pm Mass

Third Sunday of Easter - April 18, 2021

Parish Center: 22 Halsted Street, Newton NJ 07860-2003
Church: 24 Halsted Street - Newton
www.stjosephnewton.org
The Sanctuary Lamp, which burns near the Tabernacle as a reminder of our Lord’s presence in the Most Holy Eucharist, burns this week in loving memory of:

**Joey Savage IV**

The hosts and wine, which will become the Holy Body and Precious Blood of our Lord, were given in loving memory of:

**Victor Pallante**

*May they now be resting in the peace of the Lord’s heavenly kingdom!*

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**Oremus Pro Invicem**

We pray for all those who are in need of the Lord’s healing presence:

Gary Arvary, Ron Ayers, Gene Belcher, Fred Bender, Kevin Bent, Egon Béminger, Burgos Family, Dorothy Charette, Teresa Collins, Barbara Connolly,

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**Weekly Mass Intentions**

**Saturday 4/17**

5:00pm  Nugent & Fitzsimmons Families
James P. Dorsey

**Sunday 4/18**

8:00am  George Hayek
Protection of babies in the womb

**Third Sunday of Easter**

9:30am  Patricia Fitzpatrick
Intentions of Manuel Perez

11:30am  For the soul of William
John Tomasula
Lexi Faye

**Monday 4/19**

12:05pm  Graciano Alegado

**Tuesday 4/20**

12:05pm  Margaret Scott

**Wednesday 4/21**

12:05pm  Mary Mancini
Intentions of Edwin Muhlbeck

**Thursday 4/22**

12:05pm  Nancy Fox
Jay Romstedt

**Friday 4/23**

12:05pm  Lynn Ellen McCarthy
Julian Barrera

**Saturday 4/24**

5:00pm  Robert Austin
Geraldine Moore

**Sunday 4/25**

8:00am  Frank Zayacz
PO Stanley Lazoreczky

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

9:30am  Pat Staley

11:30am  Father Val Plevyak
George Hayek
Lexi Faye

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**Our Parish Family is Served**

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**Special Remembrance**

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"Oremus Pro Invicem"
**Weekly Donations**

April 11, 2021

Collection $5,578  
Online Giving $1,717

**Total:** $7,295  
Thank you for allowing us to meet our weekly goal!

As a reminder, our weekly budget is $10,000. Please remember this in your prayerful donation which you make each week. Thank you!

All donations can be mailed to the Parish Center at:  
22 Halsted Street, Newton, NJ 07860.  
Again, thank you for your generosity!

**Next Weekend Readings**

April 25, 2021

Acts of the Apostles 4:8-12  
1 Saint John 3:1-2  
Saint John 10:11-18

**Save Unborn Babies**

The Columbiettes are sponsoring a campaign to seek our Blessed Mother’s intercession to **Save Unborn Babies - SUB!**  
Please support this endeavor to pray **ONE MILLION HAIL MARYS.**  
You can e-mail your tallies to: hailmarystoSUB@gmail.com

**The tally so far is: 1,509,115**

**F.M.J.B. Thrift Shop**

All children’s clothing and toys 50% off from April 22nd - 24th

**Store Hours:**  
Thursday and Friday: 10:00am-4:00pm  
Saturday: 9:30am-12:30pm

**Food Pantry**

Spring is here and our clients are enjoying the weather and it is more comfortable for them to wait outside while we prepare their grocery bags. **Happy Spring!**

Our needs are always changing, so for this we ask that you kindly think about purchasing the following items:

- Vegetable Oil
- Salad dressings (Ranch, French, Thousand Island, Honey Mustard, Cesar, Italian, Balsamic Vinaigrette, Roasted Sweet Red Pepper)
- Minute (instant) white rice
- Spam
- Coffee (regular)
- Tea (regular)
- Fettuccine, angel hair, and linguini pasta
- Cereals (all flavors of Special K, Lucky Charms, Rice Krispies, Apple Jack, all flavors of Captain Crunch, Raisin Bran, Trix, plain Life Cereal)
- Cookies
- Rice Krispy Treats
- Motts fruit snacks
- Fruit Roll Ups
- Sunkist fruit snacks
- Pop Tarts (strawberry, blueberry, S’mores, brown sugar cinnamon, frosted raspberry, frosted apple or a variety pack (strawberry, cherry, blueberry)
- Frosting (chocolate, chocolate fudge)
- Pudding cups (vanilla, butterscotch or chocolate)
- Jell-O cups (strawberry & orange, strawberry or cherry)

It is very difficult to put into words how grateful we are for your generosity. We cannot continue to serve those in need without your steadfast support of this ministry which helps so many people.

God Bless,  
Christine Shell

**Prayer List**

We will be starting a new Prayer List in May. If you would like a name added or kept on it, please call the Parish Center Office, otherwise they will be removed next month.
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In a world that is impersonal, impractical, unfriendly and distant, the Lord stands in front of us and asks us to trust in His Divine Mercy. How did the Apostles do this? Saint Luke tells us in the Acts of the Apostles, they did this: 1.) By the breaking of the Bread. 2.) By reading and learning from the Apostle’s teaching. 3.) By living a communal life and 4.) By giving away their possessions, their property and their prestige. And so, is it possible for us to do the same. How? 1.) By the breaking of the bread in the Eucharist (being part of Sunday and even daily Mass). 2.) By learning and reading the Holy Scriptures and the Teachings of the Church. 3.) By living together as a community of faith (our family of faith here at Saint Joseph Church). 4.) By sharing what we have with those who have not, but not from our excess or abundance, but from our very essence.

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**Father’s Homily from Last Week**

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**Easter Flower Remembrances**

In Memory of:
- Joan Ammend
- Lewis Richards
- James P. Maitilasso
- Deceased Members Thibault & Maitilasso Families
- Kawula, Wawoczny, Winick Families
- John J. Bopp, Jr.

Deceased Members of LaMonaca & Miragliotta Families
- Kevin Kelly
- Mr. & Mrs. John C. Mancini
- Edwin Smith

In Honor of:
- Father ST & Deacon Tom
- To end abortion

**Final Stage**

Four years ago, we began the first stage of refurbishing our beautiful stained glass windows which were installed back in 1938. Over the many years, they were never maintained and it was determined that some windows needed to be removed in order to be cleaned and re-leaded in order to secure their beautiful existence for many years to come.

These coming months will mark the final stage of their complete restoration. The total cost will be $30,000. This is to repair and replace all the rotted wood on the outside of the windows and secure their panes.

Thank you for all those who were so generous by participating in the prior stages or restoration.

**Camp Auxilium**

June 28 - July 30
- BOYS who have completed K - 6th Grade
- GIRLS who have completed K - 8th Grade

OPEN FOR SUMMER 2021!

Stay tuned to: www.campauxilium.org for information on how to register

**Congratulations**

It is with great joy that we congratulate

Keiry Rodriguez

and her family, as she recently made her final step before receiving her First Holy Communion here at Saint Joseph Church on Saturday, May 1st at 10:00am.

**Scholarship Deadline**

Those who have young senior daughters who are graduating high school (even those who are homeschooled): The 2021 Don Bosco Columbiette Scholarships deadline for receiving applications is April 22nd.

Our $250 Good Citizenship Award and $500 Mary Ann Stanek Founder’s Award are uploaded and available on your school’s Guidance Department’s website: Naviance.com.

Complete criteria and filing instructions are included there, along with the printable application packet.
**PROCESSIONAL**

“Christ the Lord is Risen Today”

Christ the Lord is ris’n today, Alleluia! All on earth with angels say: Alleluia! Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia! Sing, O heav’ns; and earth, reply, Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia! Where, O death, is now Your sting? Alleluia! Once He died our souls to save, Alleluia! Where your victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Love’s redeeming work is done, Alleluia! Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia! Death in vain forbids Him rise, Alleluia! Christ has opened paradise. Alleluia!

**PSALM RESPONSE**

“Lord, let Your face shine on us.”

**OFFERTORY**

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”

Alleluia, Christ is risen, now the stone is cast away! Darkness gone and sin forgiven, on this joyful day of days. Songs of hope and love eternal from our hearts to You we raise. In Your death and life’s renewal we pour forth our joyful praise!

Alleluia, Christ is risen from His death upon a cross. Now all share a common vision, love now reigns and hate is lost. In this feast we share the story: love’s new birth for all to see. From our God’s almighty glory, sign of things to ever be.

Alleluia, Christ is risen, truth and justice from the grave, and brought forth for all who listen: new life from the life He gave. Now with joyful hearts and voices joined as one we share Your love. Here in Christ the world rejoices, sight now turned to God above.

**COMMUNION**

“The Living Bread of God”

R. Jesus, the living Bread of God, Jesus, the saving Cup of Christ. Ev’ry time we eat this Bread, ev’ry time we drink this Cup, we proclaim Your glory until You come again.

You are the Bread of life. If we come to You, we will never be in need. If we believe in You, we will never thirst, and we will live forever. R.

You are the life of the world. If we come to You, we will never know death. If we eat of this Bread, we will be renewed and we will live forever. R.

You are the living Bread, our Bread from heaven, our food from above. If we eat and drink, we will be like You, and we will live forever. R.

**RECESSIONAL**

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”

R. Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord. Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to His Name.

Jesus is Lord of all the earth. He is the King of creation. R.

Spread the good news o’er all the earth: Jesus has died and has risen. R.

We have been crucified with Christ. Now we shall live forever. R.

God has proclaimed His gracious gift: Life eternal for all who believe. R.

**DIOCESAN PRAYER OF SAINT JOSEPH**

O Blessed Saint Joseph, foster-father of our Savior, we the faithful of the local Church in Paterson come before you on this Holy Year dedicated to you. During this year, we ask your fatherly protection and guidance. Continue to watch over our parish families throughout the diocese, and, in particular, those named in your honor and loving memory. As you always protected the Holy Family, protect our families and friends in this time of need. As we consecrate our families in your honor, pray for us, and lead us to your Son, who promised to be with us always, even until the ends of the earth. We pray through Him whom you watched over as your own child, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.
This week we pause to remember our fallen heroes: Police Officer Brent Hall, Sergeant James Smith and Deputy Sheriff Thomas Barnes—who either died in the line of duty this week or from the complications of the Wuhan virus.

May they now be resting in the peace of God’s heavenly kingdom and may all their good deeds have gone with them!

**In Loving Memory**

Joseph Ciccone

**Happy Anniversary**

Erika & Marc Monahan

**In Loving Memory**

Patricia Fitzpatrick

"Tears are prayers too. They travel to God when we can’t speak."

-Psalm 56:8

**WE MISS YOU, LEXI.**

**REMEMBER YOU’RE LOVED!**

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Whoever does not seek the cross of Christ, does not seek the glory of Christ.

-Saint John of the Cross

Saint Michael, the Archangel defend us in battle; be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do You, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and the other evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

-Pope Leo XIII (1864)

As you already share in the Father’s glory, keep us in your prayers until we meet again!

Christ is Risen!
He is truly Risen!

Thank you for your support during these difficult times.

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