

Church of Saint Joseph

6 New Street, Mendham, New Jersey 07945 ~ www.stjoesmendham.org

The Celebration of The Eucharist

Monday, Christmas December 25th

8:00 a.m. Fran Cleary
10:00 a.m. Peter Cavalero
Noon John & Ruth Saenger

Tuesday, December 26th

9:00 a.m. Richard Nikiel

Wednesday, December 27th

9:00 a.m. For The People

Thursday, December 28th

9:00 a.m. Carmella Curcio

Friday, December 29th

9:00 a.m. Carmella Ciufalo

Saturday, December 30th

8:00 a.m. Alfred & Jerry Hadinger &
Ann & Joseph Kwasnik
5:00 p.m. Lesly Ann Straub

Sunday, December 31st

7:30 a.m. Peter Cavalero
9:30 a.m. Lesly Ann Straub
11:30 a.m. Madelyn C. Spada

Reconciliation:

Saturdays 4:00 - 4:30 p.m.

Baptisms:

First & Third Sundays of the Month



FOCUS: Have faith in God's promises. Sometimes, as children, we think that a special day, such as Christmas or a birthday, will never arrive, but it always does, eventually. The people of the Old Testament were waiting for centuries for the coming of the Messiah to free them. Jesus did come, but it took a long time before he was accepted.

Readings for Next Weekend

First Reading:

Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14

Second Reading:

Colossians 3:12-21 or 3:12-17

Third Reading:

Luke 2:22-40



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Parish House: 973~543~5950

Monday ~ Friday: 9:00 a.m. – noon/1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

**On Holy Days of Obligation the Parish House
will open at 10:15.**

www.stjoesmendham.org



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Parish Mission Statement

To Enable Parishioners to Live Their
Christian Vocation in the World.



If you are going into the hospital and would like a priest to visit you there, please call the Parish House at 973~ 543~5950 to inform the priest.



Christmas Eve, Sunday, December 24

4:00 p.m. (Children's Liturgy)
7:00 p.m. & 10:00 p.m.

Prelude with choir beginning at 9:30 p.m.

Christmas Day, Monday, December 25

8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. & 12:00 noon



We welcome

Katherine Mae Mitchell

who joined our faith

community through the waters of Baptism.

*Please keep Katherine, her parents,
and godparents in your prayers.*

We also welcome

The Fitzpatrick Family

who recently joined our Parish.

Welcome & God Bless!

Congratulations to

Katherine Corsico

and

Colin Dinneen

*who were recently married
at St. Joseph Church.*



 *Merry Christmas* 

The Parish House will be closed on

Monday, December 25
and Friday, December 29.

Sunday Offering:

December 17, 2017: \$10,780

Diocesan Assessment: \$ 485

Thank you for your generous spirit! Fr. Joe

Students of St. Joseph School would like to thank Father Joe and the entire St. Joseph Church community for your generosity in our recent **Poinsettia Fundraiser** to benefit our library.



Knowing that you receive requests to support many worthy causes this time of year, we are ever so grateful that you included our library in your giving spirit. We also wanted to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a healthy and prosperous New Year 2018. Sincerely, Mrs. Kearney and all the readers of St. Joseph School.

Sign-ups are rolling in. The former *Young Adult Pilgrimage to Rome* is now **open to all ages**. Brochures are available at the church exits. The Pilgrimage dates are **May 21-29, 2018**. Living in Rome for five



years, Fr. Stephen acquired a great knowledge of and love for the city and looks forward to sharing it. **Select tours will be given by Dr. Liz Lev, daughter of Mary Ann Glendon, former U.S. Ambassador to the Holy See.** Call 313-565-8888, ext. 150 or ext.121 with any questions.

St. Joseph School Grocery Magic Gift Card Fundraising Program ~ Local grocery gift cards in \$100 denominations are available for purchase from the school. For every \$100 card purchased, St. Joseph School receives \$5. Kings, ShopRite, ACME, Weis, and Stop & Shop all participate. Please contact Peggy Timoney to purchase your gift cards; 973- 543-1101. Thank you for your support.

Box Tops for Education ~ SJS collects box tops for education. All box tops proceeds are used to buy new books for the library. Please help by collecting box tops from participating grocery items. St. Joseph School will have a collection box in the narthex for all box tops. Thank you very much for helping the students at St. Joseph School.



For the safety of your children ~ We ask that parents accompany young children when they use the bathroom during Mass.



Worship



The Rosary is prayed weekdays at 8:30 a.m. in the chapel.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place every Friday, after the 9:00 a.m. Mass (9:30 – 10:30 a.m.) and every first Saturday after the 8:00 a.m. Mass (8:30 ~ 9:30 a.m.). Saturday's Holy Hour is

devoted to Mary, Mother of all the living. We offer our prayers for all those who are suffering and hurting, especially those affected by abuse and abortion. Please consider devoting some time in quiet prayer with our Lord – it's good for the soul! For more information, please contact Fr. Stephen at the Parish House.

Every Monday, following 9:00 a.m. Mass, the **Divine Mercy Chaplet and Novena** is prayed for all those who are suffering from cancer and other serious illnesses. Please join us in the chapel. For information, call the Parish House.



Spiritual Enrichment

Annual Weekend Jesuit Retreat for Men ~ For more than three decades, adult men of all ages from St. Joseph's parish in Mendham have joined together on retreat with men from other NJ and NY parishes during the month of January at what is now the "Loyola Jesuit Center" in Morristown. Loyola Jesuit Center offers a time to relax away from the noise, business and stresses of everyday life; a time to be still, to listen in the peaceful quiet of the Loyola retreat grounds for what God wants to say to us. The men of St. Joseph parish are invited to join other brothers in Christ from around the region for a retreat on Friday - Sunday, January 26-28, 2018. Fr. Tom Marciniak, S.J. will offer reflections on the theme: "Surrender ??? Learning to Yield Lovingly to Our God." The retreat begins at dinner on Friday evening and ends after lunch on Sunday. For additional information, please contact Michael Connolly at 973-543-4597 or michael238jconn@yahoo.com; or contact Loyola directly to register online at www.loyola.org, or 973- 539-0740 or email at retreathouse@loyola.org.

Evening Bible Study for adults ~ Join Fr. Stephen for a digital Bible Study based on the work of Dr. Scott Hahn, a renowned American biblical scholar. This study presents how the sacraments are firmly rooted in Scripture and answers common objections from non-Catholics. **No formal commitment** is needed to participate! *All sessions will be held in the school cafeteria, 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.* **Next Sessions:** Wednesday, January 3 ~ *Heaven on Earth (Eucharist)*; Sunday, January 7 ~ *Reconciled to God (Penance)*.

Morning Bible Study with Fr. Stephen meets weekly on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in the Christopher House. Bible Study is open to everyone, so please come if your schedule allows. There is no commitment to this group. You need not be there each week.



The Men's Discussion Group meets on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of each month, from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. This forum provides presentations and open discussions on a variety of topics to promote a deeper understanding of our Catholic faith. Please call Bob Manthey at 973-543-2129 for details. **Upcoming Meetings:** January 13 & 27

† Music Ministry †

Come Join the Adult Choir! Rehearsals are held on Thursday evenings at 7:30 p.m. The choir sings at the 9:30 a.m. Mass on Sundays. **For more information,** contact Mary Pat Davies at 973-543-7474, ext.314 or mdavies@sismendham.org.

Ministry to Life

Spiritual Adoption ~ Our baby can move vigorously and kick, turn feet, curl and fan his toes, make a fist, move his thumbs, bend his wrists, turn his head, open and close his mouth and practices his breathing. He is now 3 in. long and weighs 2oz.

The Sacrament of The Anointing of the Sick

Not a Sacrament for the dying only! Please call the Parish House to inform one of our priests that a family member needs the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick before the person becomes gravely ill. This sacrament may be repeated. It is also appropriate to receive this sacrament prior to surgery. "If circumstances suggest it, the celebration of the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick can be preceded by the Sacrament of Penance." (1140, *The Catechism of the Catholic Church*)



St. Joseph School News

St. Joseph School Where Faith, Family, and Education Come Together.

The faculty, staff and students of St. Joseph School wish everyone a Blessed Christmas and a New Year filled with health and happiness.



SJS will be on **Christmas Break** through Monday, January 1. Classes will resume on Tuesday, January 2.


St. Joseph School has some openings for students in the lower grades. We were designated a *National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence* in 2012, are AdvancED Accredited and a STEM school. For more information, please call 973-543-7474, ext. 7, or visit us at www.sismendham.org. St. Joseph School Where Faith, Family and Education Come Together.

Please visit us at sismendham.org for all of the latest news and events happening at St. Joseph School.

Religious Education †

www.stjoesmendham.org

To report an absence, please call the Attendance Hot Line PRIOR to class: (973) 543-5950, ext. 19

2nd Grade Sacramental Program:
Reminder: Your child is scheduled for First Reconciliation on January 6, 2018. Don't forget to bring the food item assigned to you for our celebration afterward!
St. Joseph School - 9:30 a.m.
Hope & Faith Groups - 11:30 a.m.
 **Snow date: January 20**

- January Class Schedule**
- Hope Group (1~6)**
Sunday morning, January 7, 9:45 a.m.
 - Love Group (1~6)**
Monday afternoons, January 8 & 29, 4:00 p.m.
 - TLC Group (7~8)**
Monday nights, January 8 & 29, 7:00 p.m.
 - Faith Group (K~6)**
Sunday morning, January 21, 9:45 a.m.



POLICY REGARDING WEATHER RELATED CLASS CANCELLATIONS



In the event of inclement weather on Sunday when CCD classes are scheduled, class cancellations will be announced by 7:30 a.m. on the religious education phone line: 973-543-5950, ext. 19, ext. 14, and ext. 13.

Whenever inclement weather on a Monday forces closings for Mendham Township / Borough schools, the Parish Religious Education classes will also be cancelled.

In the case of weather or other emergencies that occur later in the day when CCD and TLC are scheduled (Mondays), class cancellations will be announced by 3:00 p.m. on the religious education phone line: 973-543-5950, ext. 19, ext. 14, and ext. 13.

ALL CANCELLATIONS WILL BE POSTED ON THE PARISH WEBSITE:

www.stjoesmendham.org



Confirmation ~ Year 1 & Year II (Grades 9 & 10)

Sunday, January 7, 2018

5:00 ~ 6:30 p.m.



Teen News High School Youth Ministry

Our **Tenth Annual Teen Appalachia Service Trip** to serve the working poor in Kentucky is June 17-23, 2018. If you would like to attend, you must be 16 years of age by the end of summer *or be a rising junior or senior. **Online applications are available and will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. The trip fills up quickly.***

For trip information and to sign-up online, go to www.stjoesmendham.org/appalachia

Questions? Contact Monica Micera at 908-963-4546, monicamicera@aol.com or Mark Tosso at [973-543-5950](tel:973-543-5950), tosso@stjoesmendham.org.

Adults interested in joining our 2018 Appalachia trip as volunteers, please contact Monica Micera or Mark Tosso.

If you'd like to be added to our email list, please contact Mark Tosso at tosso@stjoesmendham.org.



Diocese of Paterson

Policy of Diocese of Paterson in Response to Complaints of Sexual Abuse:

If any person may have been abused by any priest, they should immediately contact their local County Prosecutor's Office and the Diocese's Victims' Assistance Coordinator, Peggy Zanello at 973-879-1489. You may also be in touch with either of the Diocesan Response Officers: Rev. Msgr. James T. Mahoney, Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia, at 973-777-8818, ext. 205, or Sister Joan Daniel Healy, S.C.C., Chancellor/Delegate for Religious, at 973-777-8818, ext. 248. The entire text of the Policy of the Diocese of Paterson in Response to Complaints of Sexual Abuse is available on the diocesan website: www.patersondiocese.org.

Parishioners, please note: On our Diocesan website, www.patersondiocese.org, there is the Advance Directive for End of Life Issues available for printing. This directive has been approved by the Bishops of New Jersey.



Knights of Columbus

IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.
<http://www.stjoesmendhamknights.org>

Become a Knight ~ If you would like to be a member of the Saint Joseph Knights of Columbus, please contact Mike Dunne at mdunne@daypitney.com.



Human Concerns

The **People's Choice Food Pantry** at the **Father English Community Center** in Paterson serves *100-150 clients each day*. In November, a fire completely destroyed this vital resource to the community. Your help is needed to restock the pantry now so our brothers and sisters in Paterson can continue to be nourished. Please drop your non-perishable donations in the box located in the **West Entrance ONLY**. Items of greatest need include:

Canned Meats/Fish	Baby Food—All Stages
Rice/Pasta/Pasta Sauce	Baby Formula
Canned/Dried Beans	Diapers—All sizes
Macaroni and Cheese	Juices
Canned Soup	Peanut Butter/Jelly
Canned Fruit	Oatmeal/Grids/Farina
Pancake Mix/Syrup	Powdered Milk

If you have any questions regarding this request, please call Emily Wood, 973-543-3445. Thank you.

Please note: St. Joseph Church **no longer collects clothing donations.** If you have other items to donate to the Father English Center, please call Adi Conover at 973-543-0248.

Community News

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton to be honored in Convent Station ~ The Sisters of Charity of Saint Elizabeth cordially invite you to join them for the Feast of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton and the Seton Associate Commitment Ceremony. Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, January 6, 2018, at Holy Family Chapel, Convent Station, at 11:00 a.m. The Mass will be followed by a light lunch in the study hall of the Academy of Saint Elizabeth. The Heritage Room at the Motherhouse will be open for a display of Mother Seton memorabilia. For more information call 973-290-5470. In case of inclement weather call (973) 290-5478. Snow date is January 13, 2018.

The **Chester First Aid Squad will be hosting an American Red Cross Blood Drive** at the Chester Volunteer Fire House, 86 Main Street in Chester, on January 11, from 3 to 8 pm. Please consider coming out to support the Squad and Red Cross by donating. You can help save so many people in need! For more info contact Kelly at 201-919-8560 or email: kbanko@villanova.edu.

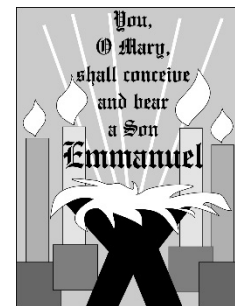
Reading Tutor ~ Is your child struggling with reading and/or spelling? Now is a good time to have a reading tutor help your child gain the skills and

confidence they need to succeed in school. Reading is a gift that will last a lifetime.

Call Sister Ann Lavelle at 973.750.4311 or go to www.keystosuccessforyou.com for more information.

Holy Hour for Peace ~ The Sisters of Charity of Saint Elizabeth invite you to a monthly Holy Hour of Quiet Prayer at Holy Family Chapel, 2 Convent Road, Convent Station, from 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Everyone is invited ~ the third Tuesday of every month. For further information, contact Sister Maryanne Tracey at mtracey@scnj.org. No RSVP necessary.

Come Ride With Us! Mendham Area Senior Transportation transports senior and disabled residents in Mendham Borough and Mendham Township to medical appointments and food shopping. Towns served are Basking Ridge, Bernardsville, Cedar Knolls, Chester, Denville, Harding, Mendham Borough, Mendham Township, Morristown, Morris Plains, Morris Township, Mount Freedom, Parsippany, Randolph, and Whippany. We also transport to the Veterans Hospital in Lyons. Rides to other towns in Morris County will be considered as the schedule permits. Call **973-543-2666** to register and **Come Ride With Us!**



✧ NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION FORM ✧

Family Name: _____ Date: _____
 Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____
 Telephone (H) _____ (Cell): _____
 E-Mail: _____ Would you like to join our Parish E-mail List?: _____
 Husband: _____ Religion: _____
 Wife: _____ Religion: _____

List Only Those Living With You:

Children	Date of Birth	Religion	School & Grade

Children Eligible for CCD: _____ Others living with you? _____ How Related? _____