

ST. JOSEPH ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

OVER A CENTURY OF CATHOLIC PRESENCE

SEPTEMBER 1, 2019

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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**WHEN YOU HOLD A BANQUET,
INVITE THE POOR, THE CRIPPLED,
THE LAME, THE BLIND.**

LUKE 14:13

Rev. James W. McGuffey - Pastor
Rev. Msgr. Pafnouti Wassef - Parochial Vicar
Rev. Sean G. Winters - In Residence
Deacon Ramon Torres - Hispanic Ministry

Deacon George Kimball - Permanent Deacon
Mrs. Roseann Johnson - Principal
Mrs. Marcelle Doherty - Coordinator of Religious Education/Pastoral Assistant
Dr. Thomas Juneau - Director of Music

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PARISH CALENDAR

SUNDAY	September 1
MONDAY	September 2 - Labor Day <i>Parish Office Closed</i>
TUESDAY	September 3 First Day of School, Grades K - 8 9:00 AM PRE-K Orientation, school
WEDNESDAY	September 4 First Day of PRE-K
THURSDAY	September 5
FRIDAY	September 6 8:00 PM A/A, Alanon, Alateen, church hall
SATURDAY	September 7

FOR OUR TROOPS

All-powerful and ever-living God, when Abraham left his native land and departed from his people You kept him safe through all his journeys. Protect our soldiers. Be their constant companion and their strength in battle, their refuge in every adversity. Guide them, O Lord, that they may return home in safety. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Remember in your prayers the members of our Armed Services, especially: Taylor Setar, daughter of Greg and Terry Setar; Thomas Rapp, grandson of Jeanette Miller; Justin Lurker, grandson of Helen Lurker; Robert Michnowicz, nephew of Helen Lurker; Justin Molarz, grandson of Susan Molarz; Andrew Weaver, grandson of Joanne Halkovich; Darren T. Dreboty, son-in-law of Jacqueline Eak; James Molnar, grandson of Alice Benson; Elizabeth Brito and Lisa Marie Brito, daughters of Ivette Brito; Raymond Torres, son of Deacon and Mrs. Ramon Torres.

PRAY AND FAST FOR VOCATIONS

Jesus, You are the Good Shepherd. You know each of us and You call us by name to serve You in faith. Help us to respond generously to Your voice. Give courage and guidance to those You call to the priesthood and diaconate, to religious life, and lay ministry, so that they may respond whole heartedly and serve devoutly. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

“For everything there is a season and a time for every purpose under heaven. . .”
a time to heal... for the sick of our Parish and especially for Mary Wagner, Anthony LaMotta, Chip Cece, Diane Rosa, Joseph Sabol
a time to die... Jose B. Serantes, Joseph Pluta

SACRAMENTS

Baptism: The Rite of Baptism is celebrated on the second weekend of the month: Saturday at 1:00 PM. Please arrange for the obligatory preparation session by calling the Parish Office.

Pastoral Care of the Sick: The Holy Eucharist and the Anointing of the Sick are available to the sick and shut-ins upon request.

First Penance, First Eucharist, Confirmation: Children are expected to receive a Catholic upbringing in their family life, to worship regularly at Sunday Mass, and to receive ongoing religious education in the years preceding the reception of these sacraments.

Matrimony: Specific times are set for the celebration of marriage during the year. To allow ample time for preparation, please contact the Parish Office at least one year before the intended wedding date.

Holy Orders or Religious Life: If you are considering serving God as a priest, deacon or religious, you may contact your parish priest or deacon; or phone the Office of Vocations at 732-562-2457 for additional information.

MASS SCHEDULE

5:00 PM (Saturday evening Vigil Mass)
Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:00 PM
1:30 PM (Spanish)

Monday to Friday: 8:00 AM
Saturday: 8:30 AM
St. Peregrine Mass for the Sick
Second Thursday of the month - 7:00 PM

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 11:00 AM

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Weekdays: 8:30 AM to 2:00 PM

MAILING ADDRESS

<u>Parish</u>	<u>School</u>
55 High Street Carteret, NJ 07008	865 Roosevelt Avenue Carteret, NJ 07008

TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

Parish Office	732-541-8946
Parish Office Fax	732-541-0500
Religious Education	732-969-8767
St. Joseph School	732-541-7111
St. Vincent de Paul Society	732-541-8946

Parish Website: www.stjosephparishfamily.com
PREP Website: www.stjosephprep.net
School Website: www.sjps.net

PARISH SERVICES

Parish Registration: New parishioners are welcome. Please call the Parish Office to register. Please notify us if you move.

R.C.I.A.: Adults inquiring about the Catholic Church with a desire to become Catholic are invited to call the Parish Office for information about the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults.

Parish Organizations: Servants of Mary (Woman's Group), Adult Choir, Children's Choir, Ministry to the Poor, Ministry to the Sick & Elderly, RCIA Team, Food Pantry, Hispanic Ministry, St. Vincent de Paul Society, Home School Association, Athletic Association, and Catechetical Instruction.

Sponsorship: To act as a Godparent for Baptism or sponsor for Confirmation, the sponsor must be a baptized Catholic, Confirmed, received Communion, and live a morally good life; if married, done so within Church law. Ordinarily the sponsor must be at least 14 years old. A Christian who is a non-Catholic may be a witness for Baptism together with a Catholic sponsor.

SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading - Sirach 3: 17-18, 20, 28-29

Second Reading - Hebrews 12: 18-19, 22-24a

Gospel - Luke 14: 1, 7-14

Humility

Humility is a virtue that has become misunderstood and somewhat trampled upon in modern culture. Some in our society tend to label a lack of humility as confidence. Others see any hint of bravado or pride in one's abilities as distasteful or pompous. The extreme positions can easily encourage people to gravitate to a position of feeling less than or more than others around them. Neither position is healthy, and God does not call us to either form of humility. God calls us to a humility where we understand that who we are and what we have is a blessing from Him and that He is God and we are not.

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SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Thes 4: 13-18; Lk 4: 16-30
Tuesday: 1 Thes 5: 1-6, 9-11; Lk 4: 31-37
Wednesday: Col 1: 1-8; Lk 4: 38-44
Thursday: Col 1: 9-14; Lk 5: 1-11
Friday: Col 1: 15-20; Lk 5: 33-39
Saturday: Col 1: 21-23; Lk 6: 1-5
Sunday: Wis 9: 13-18b; Phlm 9-10, 12-17;
Lk 14: 25-33

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION

Next Weekend: September 7-8

Next weekend, we will take up the *Peter's Pence Collection*, which provides Pope Francis with the funds necessary to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. Please be generous. Envelopes for this collection are included in your Church Envelope Packet or you can place your donation in a plain white envelope marked *Peter Pence Collection*. Visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence for information.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

August 18, 2019 \$5878 \$5703 (2018)

Honor the Lord with your substance and with the First Fruits of all your labors. -Proverbs 3:9

THANK YOU – Donations have been made in loving memory of *David Mastromonico* to...

-*St. Joseph Church* by Joan Emerson and family, Thomas Emerson and family, and Claire and Douglas Castner.

-*The St. Vincent de Paul Society* by Joanne Fillweber and Elaine Kearney.

WELCOME BACK!

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL

OPENING WEEK SCHEDULE



Tuesday - September 3

First Day of School

Grades K to 8 gather at 7:45 a.m. outside, by lawn area.

PK3 & PK4 Orientation - 9:00 a.m. in the School Gym.

12:00 noon dismissal.

Wednesday - September 4

Full day of School for all Grades. Lunch Service begins.

After-School Program begins - 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Friday - September 6

School Mass at 9:30 a.m., in the School Gym. Parents are invited!

PREP CLASSES WILL BEGIN SOON!

There is Still Time to Register Your Child/ren

The goal of the *St. Joseph Parish Religious Education Program* is not only to prepare your child to receive the sacraments of First Penance, Holy Communion, and Confirmation, it is also to assist you in helping your child learn more about our Catholic faith. Registration Forms are available on the counter in the narthex, at the Parish Office, the PREP Office, or on the PREP website at www.stjosephprep.net



CATECHISTS AND AIDES ARE NEEDED

Please consider teaching in our Religious Education Program for the upcoming academic year. In particular there is a need for a catechists. Volunteers are also needed as substitutes, aides, and assistants. If not enough volunteers respond, there may be a limit to the number of students which can be accepted. Volunteers will be asked to complete the Protecting God's Children Program and submit their fingerprints through a mandated program to ensure the safety of our children. Training will be provided. If interested, call the PREP office: 732-969-8767.

LIVING ROSARY

The Fr. Carey Columbiettes and the Carteret Specials invite you to a very special *Prayer Service for World Peace* to be held at Danielle's Garden, Carteret Waterfront Park, on Saturday, **September 28**, at 10:00 a.m. (rain location: Fr. Carey Knights of Columbus Hall, 164 High St.) Special intention - Chappy Thatcher and Joseph Pluta. For additional information, call 732-969-2744.



HAVE A SAFE LABOR DAY!

Lord on this Labor Day, we thank You for the blessing of work. We ask for strength to complete each day. We ask for rest when we are weary. We ask Your guidance for everyone seeking employment, and we ask that You be with those whose faces we might never see but who work tirelessly each day for the good of us all. Amen.

All are invited to attend the **HISPANIC HERITAGE MASS** on Friday, ***September 20***, at 7:30 p.m., at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi, Metuchen, as we come together to celebrate Hispanic heritage in the Diocese of Metuchen. For more information, please call 732-243-4573.

The Word of God: Celebrated and Lived

On ***September 7 and 14***, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., at St. John Neumann Pastoral Center, Piscataway, the Diocesan Office of Worship will host a Formation Opportunity for *Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Readers*. Learn and explore more about these areas of ministry. To register, visit www.diometuchenoorg/liturgy-workshops

One-day, 9-mile Walking Pilgrimage "The Way of St. Juan Diego"

- In preparation for the Consecration of the Diocese of Metuchen to Our Lady of Guadalupe, you are invited to participate in a Walking Pilgrimage on Saturday, ***September 21***, 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. (rain or shine). The walk will begin and end at Immaculate Conception Parish, Annandale. Cost: \$25. Registration is required by September 13. Visit www.LightingHeartsOnFire.org/walking-pilgrimage for details or to register.

Bishop George Ahr/St. Thomas Aquinas High School Fiftieth Anniversary Celebration ~ September 28

Family Open House, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. - cost: \$5; *Mass with Bishop Checchio*, 4:00 p.m. (ticketed event); *Gala and Awards Ceremony*, 5:30 p.m. - cost: \$100. For additional information or to purchase tickets, visit www.bgahs.org/50th.

St. Thomas Aquinas High School STA/AHR STAR SPAGHETTI DINNER

Thursday, ***October 3***. Service begins at 4:30 p.m. and continues until 6:30 p.m., in the STA/Bishop Ahr High School Cafeteria, One Tingley Lane, Edison. Adults/\$10; Students/\$7; Children under 12/\$4. Proceeds benefit Elijah Patino, born with a rare autoimmune disease; and Andrew Yarus, born with a rare chromosome deletion. For tickets or additional information, call 732-549-1108 ext. 648.

Mother Seton Regional High School, Clark, is hosting their 2019 Gala Evening of Celebration and Recognition.

Alumnae, family, and friends are invited to attend. The festivities will include cocktail hour, hors d'oeuvres, a pasta station, and carving station. A Silent Auction and Gift Basket Raffle are also planned. The event will be held on Friday, ***October 4***, 6:30 - 10:30 p.m., at The Westwood, 438 North Avenue, Garwood, NJ. To purchase tickets or for more information, contact the School at 732-382-1952, ext. 175, or email Gala@motherseton.org

ATTENDING RUTGERS IN NEW BRUNSWICK?

The *Catholic Center at Rutgers*, located at 84 Somerset Street on the College Avenue Campus, is looking forward to welcoming you to the New Brunswick/Piscataway campuses. The *Catholic Center at Rutgers* seeks to provide a *home away from home*, a place where a new student can experience a welcoming environment with an opportunity to make new acquaintances. For the Mass schedule and a schedule of opening activities and events, visit www.rutgerscatholic.org or www.stpeternewbrunswick.org or check them out on Facebook: Rutgers Catholic Student Association.

St. Cecelia's Church, 45 Wilus Way, Iselin, will hold a Tricky Tray Gift Auction, on Saturday, September 21.

Doors open at 6:00 p.m. - prizes called at 7:30 p.m. Bring your own food and beverages. Must be 18 or older to participate. General Admission - \$20 (includes 1 free sheet of yellow tickets); Bundle Package - \$60 (pre-purchase); \$65 (at the door). For tickets call Kathy at 732-283-2300 or kbeglan@stcecelia.com.

PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY AND SICILY NOVEMBER 2-13, 2020

Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Padre Pio, San Giovanni Rotondo, including Sicily (Palermo, Agrigento, Siracusa, Mt. Etna, Taormina, Massina) and Rome with a Papal Audience. \$3479 - includes superior hotels, most meals, professional guides and tour escort, and daily Mass. Hosted by Father David Kosmoski. Call St. Andrew Church, Avenel, for a full color brochure at 732-634-4355 .

Mount St. Mary House of Prayer, Watchung, invites you to Paint and Pray: Reflecting on Your Story in Art - In

this workshop you will create a painting in a folk art style that tells the story of a favorite fall holiday moment with friends and family. No painting experience is necessary - class size is limited. Wednesday, ***September 18***, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Cost \$100 - includes \$25 for supplies and lunch. Presenter: Pat Wiley, an award-winning folk artist. For registration or additional information, call 908-753-2091 or visit their website at www.msmhope.org

Mass Intentions



SATURDAY	August 31
5:00 PM	George Sabol
SUNDAY	September 1
8:00 AM	Patricia O'Donnell
10:30 AM	Betanzos Family
12:00 PM	Aleli Syjongtian
1:30 PM	Parishioners of St. Joseph Parish
MONDAY	September 2
8:00 AM	Alfredo Paiva
TUESDAY	September 3
8:00 AM	Jayceryll Malabayoc de Chavez
WEDNESDAY	September 4
8:00 AM	Jayceryll Malabayoc de Chavez
THURSDAY	September 5
8:00 AM	Jayceryll Malabayoc de Chavez
11:30 AM	<i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>
FRIDAY	September 6
8:00 AM	Jayceryll Malabayoc de Chavez
SATURDAY	September 7
8:30 AM	Jayceryll Malabayoc de Chavez
5:00 PM	Savino Cardillo
SUNDAY	September 8
8:00 AM	Frank Colonna
10:30 AM	Jayceryll Malabayoc de Chavez
12:00 PM	Michael Gilligan
1:30 PM	Parishioners of St. Joseph Parish

CANDLE INTENTIONS ~ SEPTEMBER 1-7

The **St. Joseph Church Sanctuary Lamp** burns for the souls in purgatory.

The **Pieta Lamp** burns in loving memory of the deceased members of the Kish Family.

The **Saint Joseph Lamp** burns in loving memory of the deceased members of the Bonner Family.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration, closing with Benediction, is held each Thursday, 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., in the Church Chapel. It's amazing how a simple act of committing to even a short time of regular Adoration makes such a huge difference to the rest of your life. You can carry that moment of being in His presence with you long after you've left the Church. His grace sustains you in every moment, especially in moments of temptation. Temptation becomes easier to resist when you're spending more time in Adoration. Sometimes, it really is that straightforward.

Inspirational Spot ~ God chooses the last to be first. God chooses us not because of our abilities, but because of our inabilities, and our willingness to give glory to Him. Give God your best try. Let Him do the rest.

A Student's Prayer for a New School Year

Lord Jesus, I ask for Your help as I begin this new school year. Allow me to experience Your presence in the many blessings You put before me. Open my eyes to the new challenges and exciting opportunities that this new school year brings. Open my heart and mind to new friends and new teachers. Give me a generous spirit to be enthusiastic with my studies and courage to accept new opportunities. Help me to be attentive to my teachers and let me experience Your presence in my new friends. Jesus, inspire me to do my best this year! Amen.



"To choose to be pro-choice is to reject the Gospel of life. It is to be not faithful to Church teaching. The Church teaches that the right to life is fundamental. Without life, there are no other rights. ... Today not only is the taking of so many innocent lives alarming, but no less unsettling is the darkening of conscience among so many who find "it increasingly difficult to distinguish between good and evil in what concerns the basic value of human life" (Evangelium Vitae, 4). Why should the Church not have a right to voice her teaching on this important issue in the public square? She must speak and speak often. Abortion may be for some just a political issue. But, for the innocent child, it is a matter of life or death." - **Most Reverend Arthur J. Serratelli, S.T.D., S.S.L., D.D, Bishop of Paterson**, June 19, 2007

PROTECT LIFE

God, the Author of Life, help us to nurture and protect this most precious gift. Help us to recognize and defend the dignity of all human life—from the moment of conception until the time You have chosen for our death. Guard us against all temptation to be angry or disrespectful. Deliver us from the evils of hatred and violence in all their many forms. Above all, help us to see your face in our sisters and brothers whoever they are and wherever they may be. Make us women and men who love peace and who are ready to work for liberty and justice for all. Amen.

The **WALK FOR LIFE**, benefitting Life Choices Resource Center, will be held on Saturday, **October 12**, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 pm. (rain or shine). Youth Groups, Families, CCD Students, and anyone who loves babies and God's people are welcome to come and make our event a success! To register, call 732-516-0822. Your participation will make a difference in the life of a family and their unborn child.