

Parish Ministries and Services

St. Joseph Church Parish

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Parish Services

Parish Office: Open 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM, Monday – Thursday during summer months (closed 12:00-1:30 PM for lunch)

Parish Center and Chapel: 124 East Second Street Church: Mountain Avenue and East High Street

Sacraments

Baptism: English Baptisms will be officiated on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month at 1:30 PM in the Church. Spanish Baptisms will be officiated on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month at 1:30 PM in the Church. Contact the Parish Office to schedule. Attendance at Baptism class is mandatory. The Baptism must be scheduled before you attend Baptism class.

Marriage: Weddings celebrated Saturdays and Friday evenings, but not Sundays. You must contact a priest 9 months before the planned date, and reservation of a wedding time is suggested even earlier.

Penance: Saturday 9:00-10:00 AM (Chapel); Wednesday 6:30-7:00 PM (Church). Other times on request.

Confirmation, 1st Eucharist, 1st Penance: Though immediate preparation is given before receiving these sacraments, children are expected to receive a Catholic upbringing in their families. This includes formal religious education classes and regular Sunday worship in the years prior to and following the reception of these Sacraments.

Devotions

Marian Novena: Saturdays following the 8:15 AM Mass in the Chapel.

Eucharistic Adoration: First and Second Friday, Adoration following 8:15 AM Mass; Benediction: 1st Friday in English; 2nd Friday in Spanish, 7:00 PM in the Chapel. Cancelled in August for summer break.

Sponsorship Eligibility

TO BE OR NOT TO BE . . . A SPONSOR FOR BAPTISM OR CONFIRMATION

The opportunity to walk with another in Faith, whether a child or an adult, is an awesome privilege. It is cause for serious consideration on the part of those who ask another to witness with their lives to what it means to be a Catholic, and for those who accept this responsibility. It is important to think carefully about your selection and decision. The person to be considered a Sponsor must be at least 14 years of age and have themselves completed the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist, Confirmation), and are leading a life in harmony with the Faith and Tradition they are called to witness to. A Godparent/Sponsor cannot be the mother or father of the one to be baptized. If married, their marriage must be recognized as “valid” by the Catholic Church. They must be attending Mass regularly, that is, every Sunday and Holy Day of Obligation.

They will need to obtain a Certificate of Eligibility signed by their pastor. Being properly registered at one's parish is an important first step. Consider carefully your invitation and response. There is more involved to this than simply standing at the Baptismal Font. It is a lifelong commitment. If you have questions, speak with one of the parish priests who can guide you correctly.

- **Call the Parish Office EARLY**, even before your child's birth to obtain information that will help you in selecting suitable godparents.
- **New parishioners** are asked to come to the Parish Office and fill out a Census Form. Individuals and families must be registered and practicing here for at least six months before applying for sponsorship.
- **If you have changed your address** or other information, please contact the Parish Office at (732) 356-0027 so that we can update our records.

In the Hospital?

If you or someone you know is sick in the hospital or nursing home for an extended stay, please contact the parish office. We will do our best to have someone make a pastoral visit and bring communion. Please note that the Hospitals or Nursing Homes do not notify us, and we rely on the family to inform us of this information. Thank you for your assistance.

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, July 20, 2014



Today's Gospel: *Let the seeds grow together until harvest. Matthew 13:24-43*

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, JULY 21, 2014

8:30 AM People of the Parish

TUESDAY, JULY 22, 2014

8:30 AM Frank Mackinson, request of Tom Bernotas and Family

WEDNESDAY, JULY 23, 2014

8:30 AM Ray Corsini, request of Teresa Clark

7:30 PM Beronio Family, request of son, Al and wife, Pat

THURSDAY, JULY 24, 2014

8:30 AM Mary and Tony Costabile, request of Ray Gleason

FRIDAY, JULY 25, 2014

8:30 AM John Ford, Sr., request of Ron Wawrzyniak

SATURDAY, JULY 26, 2014

8:30 AM Dominic Emanuele, request of daughter, Rose DeSantis

5:00 PM George Barile (birthday), request of Bart and Ginny DeMato

SUNDAY, JULY 27, 2014

8:00 AM Herb Hepler, request of Jo and daughters
John Gabory (birthday), request of wife, Cynthia

10:00 AM Helen M. O'Donnell, request of Ann Kosco

12:00 PM Pipino, Carlina, Lucina, Adela and Odolia Guerrero, request of Moran-Guerrero family

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading 1: Solomon asks for an understanding heart. *1 Kings 3:5, 7-12*

Reading 2: God predestined us to be conformed to the image of the Son. *Romans 8:28-30*

Gospel: "The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field."
Matthew 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

THIS WEEK

TUESDAY, JULY 22, 2014

7:00 PM Spanish Prayer Group Meeting in the Library

THURSDAY, JULY 24, 2014

7:30 PM Spanish Divine Mercy in the Chapel

SATURDAY, JULY 26, 2014

6:00-9:30 PM Spanish Prayer Group in the Chapel

SUNDAY, JULY 27, 2014

After masses CIAM Coffee in the Community Room

MONTHLY SECOND COLLECTION

The monthly second collection will be taken up next weekend. This month, the collection will be for repaving of the church parking lot and repair of the Community Room and Sacristy roofs.

SUPPORT FOR OUR TROOPS



Your continued prayers are requested that God will watch over and protect our armed forces and return them all home safely and soon to their families.

We also continue to pray for an end to the violence taking place in the Middle East, especially to innocent non-combatants, and for a lasting peace throughout the world.

REQUIESCANT IN PACE

We offer our sincere sympathy to the families of Roseanne Wowchuck and Mary Louise Scott who recently passed away. May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

SANCTUARY LAMP MEMORIAL

July 21-27, 2014

In memory of the Gleason family
Request of Mother



MOUNT ST. MARY HOUSE OF PRAYER

Mount St. Mary House of Prayer, Watchung, will offer the following programs. Registration required for all programs. E-mail: mshmope@mshmope.org or call (908) 753-2091.

Week Long Directed Retreat

An experience of personal prayer based on Scripture. Daily spiritual direction. Atmosphere of prayerful quiet. Adaptable to the needs of each individual. **August 8-15.** Begins 7:00 PM, concludes 10:00 AM. (\$490 non-refundable, deposit \$90).

August Saint of the Month: Dominic

Dominic founded the Order of Preachers nearly 800 years ago. This Spaniard fought against heresy by living and preaching the truth of the Gospel. Come walk through the lands he walked to gain insight into the life of this joyful friar. **Wednesday, August 6,** 7:15-9:00 PM (\$20). Presenter: Laura Arvin, OP.

SISTERS OF MERCY 20TH ANNUAL GOLF CLASSIC

The Sisters of Mercy 20th Annual Golf Classic will take place on Monday, September 22 at Trump National Golf Club in Colts Neck, New Jersey. "Fore" all the details on this most worthwhile event, which benefits our retired and infirm Sisters, please call Linda Cavallo at (908) 756-0994 ext. 4006 or email: lcavallo@mercymidatlantic.org.

DISCOVERING YOUR CHARISMS

Discover your divine gifts and how best to use them! Sign up for a charism discernment class sponsored by the Diocese of Metuchen. Sherry Weddell's gift discernment materials will be used. Are you familiar with Sherry Weddell's Siena Institute? If not, visit www.siena.org.

Dates: July 24, 31 and August 7
Location: St. John Neumann Pastoral Center
146 Metlars Lane, Piscataway, NJ
Time: 10:00 AM – 12:00 noon
Cost: \$10 (materials) registration required
Contact: Pat Martin
Telephone: (732) 562-1990 x1310
Email: pmartin@diometuchen.org

YOUTH GROUP

We invite all high schoolers to our new youth group beginning in September. It will meet twice a month led by young adults. We will have fun activities and social events as well as opportunities to talk about what teenagers want to know about life, faith, God, relationships and more. If interested, contact Alexa for more information at Alexa.architect@gmail.com.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

"The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field...He who sows good seed is the Son of Man, the field is the world, the good seed the children of the kingdom." - Matthew 13:24, 37-38

As children of God, we are all "good seeds," blessed by God with the potential to accomplish much good in the world. We fulfill God's plan when we share our talents and our financial gifts to help build God's kingdom on earth. Through our stewardship we sow "good seeds" on earth to ultimately help each other get to Heaven!

FREE BREAKFAST AND LUNCH

Free breakfast and free lunch will be offered this summer to all Bound Brook residents under the age of 18. There will be three locations: Lafayette School, Smalley Middle School and Bound Brook High School. Breakfast will be served from 8:00-8:30 AM and lunch from 12:00-12:30 PM. There are two rules: 1) each person is only allowed one meal, 2) you must eat the meal at the school. If someone wants the fruit but not the cereal they must take the whole meal, but they can put the cereal in a box when they are finished. Other people can then take the cereal out of the box when they are leaving and take it with them.

HOME BOUND VISITATIONS

Fr. Al would like to reinstitute the first Friday of the month visitations to the home bound. Please call Mary Ellen in the parish office or email her at maryellen.kirchman@sicbb.net so she can compile a list of names so that Fr. Al and Fr. Mark can visit the homebound.

SUNDAY OFFERING

The week ended July 13

Ordinary Offertory	\$6,230
Parish Ordinary Expenses*	(\$6,511)*
We operated at a deficit of:	(\$ 281)

* Annual Weekly Average

Building and Maintenance Collection: \$2,190

Thank you! Your continued support helps St. Joseph Parish to serve our people more effectively.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING AWARENESS WEEK – JULY 20-26, 2014

Married Couples:

You can enhance your marital romance and build a better marriage! It is never too late to experience the joy natural family planning methods can bring to your relationship. Both spouses are taught to understand the nature of fertility and work with it, either to plan a pregnancy or to avoid a pregnancy... NFP becomes a shared commitment!

Engaged Couples:

If you are interested in beginning your life together as husband and wife by loving one another naturally, it is never too early to learn about natural family planning.

What are the benefits of using NFP?

- Low cost
- No harmful side effects
- Effective for achieving, spacing or limiting pregnancy
- Can be used throughout a woman's reproductive life
- Marriage enrichment and mutual understanding
- Appreciation for the value of children
- Fosters respect for and acceptance of the total person
- Morally acceptable

Where can I learn how to use NFP?

Email the Family Life Office/Diocese of Metuchen familylife@diometuchen.org or call (732) 562-1990 ext. 1624 for more information or to register for classes at a location nearest your home.

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

The Rosary Altar Society will be celebrating its Corporate Communion on Sunday, August 3rd at the 8:00 AM mass.

MESSAGE FROM FR. AL

Greetings my dear parishioners at St. Joe's:

I cannot believe we are already in the middle of the summer, and this weekend marks my one-year anniversary at St. Joseph's.

EXPOSITION AND BENEDICTION

As you well know, many of our parishioners are away this month or will be going away in August, and the same applies to our Parish staff. I have been told that the Eucharist has been left alone, without anyone keeping watch of such a sacred sacrament.



As a result, the Eucharistic **Exposition** and **Benediction** will be canceled for the month of August so we do not run into that problem again. Also, the Parish office is closed on Fridays for the summer, and the whole place is being left unattended. We need to have the place secured at all times. This will enable all to have better peace of mind.

FORTHNIGHT FOR FREEDOM - FREEDOM TO SERVE AND RELIGIOUS LIBERTY



I would like to thank all who came either to the Holy Hour or the showing of the Movie "For Greater Glory."

All this demonstrates our union with our country and the

Bishops of our Church in praying for Religious Liberty. Thanks to all.

CHURCH CLEAN UP

Finally, many thanks to all who came and helped out in cleaning our Church. We disposed of many unneeded items that were stored for 30 or more years.



We also cleaned our Library in the Parish Office and now have much more shelf space to place other needed items.

Thank you very much.

Fr. Al

LECTURAS PARA EL PRÓXIMO DOMINGO

Décimo Séptimo Domingo Ordinario

Primera Lectura 1 Reyes 3: 5-13

Salomón solo pide sabiduría de corazón.

Segunda Lectura: Romanos 8: 28-30

El Señor nos predestina a ser conforme a la imagen de su Hijo.

Evangelio Mateo 13: 44-52

"El Reino de los cielos se parece a un tesoro en un campo".

AVISOS A LA COMUNIDAD

CONFESIONES: Las confesiones se realizan en Inglés y Español los siguientes días:

Sábados de 9:00 a 10:00 AM en la Capilla.

Miércoles de 6:30 a 7:00 PM en la Iglesia.

Los Miércoles las confesiones son hasta las 7 PM en punto. Para confesarse en otro momento debe hacer una cita previa llamando al (732) 356-0027.

FAMILIARES HOSPITALIZADOS

Si tiene algún familiar hospitalizado, y desea visita pastoral y Eucaristía, por favor infórmelo a la parroquia, llamando al teléfono (732) 356-0027 ext. 8.

VIRGEN PEREGRINA

Las familias que deseen la visita de la Virgen Peregrina en sus hogares, comunicarse con Oscar e Ivania Rios al (908) 986-8977- (908) 986-8978.

AYUDA A TU IGLESIA

Ayude a su Iglesia, adquiriendo los certificados de compra (Gift certificate) de su supermercado favorito ShopRite, A&P y Pathmark, sin que a usted le cueste un centavo adicional.

Así la Iglesia gana el 5% por certificado. Se venden a la salida de la Misa los Domingos o en la semana en la oficina Parroquial de 9:00 AM a 4:00 PM.

PREGUNTA DE LA SEMANA

¿Dónde en la Biblia se habla de Purgatorio?

Por Purgatorio se entiende un estado intermedio entre la gloria y el infierno, en el cual el alma se purifica y se hace digna de gozar de Dios. Esta purificación se realiza mediante el sufrimiento. Por el hecho de que la Biblia no contenga la palabra "purgatorio" no se puede concluir que el Purgatorio no existe. En efecto, la Biblia no presenta tampoco la palabra "Trinidad" y existe el dogma de la Santísima Trinidad.

TOME NOTA

NOTA DE LA HERMANA LUCÍA

La Hermana Lucía estará ausente de la Iglesia como todos los años durante los meses de Julio y Agosto, las hermanas van a México con su congregación para seguir estudiando, prepararse espiritualmente y visitar a sus familiares. La hermana Lucía les agradece por el apoyo que le han brindado a lo largo de este año, y les informa que si Dios quiere estará nuevamente con nosotros en Septiembre.

- El Diácono Gustavo Sandoval, está disponible para aquellas personas que necesiten alguna ayuda espiritual. Para comunicarse con él, favor llamarle al teléfono (732) 317-8544.
- La Sra. Martha atiende en la oficina Parroquial (donde está la Capilla) todo lo relacionado con Misas, bautismos, registros parroquiales y certificados. Ella atiende en la oficina todos los Martes y Jueves de 6:30 a 8:30 PM y vía telefónica llamando al (732) 356-0027 ext. 8.

DURANTE ESTA SEMANA

DIVINA MISERICORDIA

Todos los Jueves a las 7:30 PM. Se reúnen en la Capilla el grupo de la Divina Misericordia. Para más información llamar a Jorge Romero al (732) 900-4315 o Dulce Nestor al (732) 208-7282.

CIRCULO DE ORACIÓN

Todos los Sábados a las 6:30 PM se reúne el círculo de oración en la Capilla. Para más información pueden llamar a Gabriela Alpizar al (908) 342-0780 o Maribel Alfaro al (908) 450-7110. ¡Los esperamos!

SEMANA NACIONAL SOBRE LA PLANIFICACION FAMILIAR NATURAL 20 al 26 de Julio del 2014

PAREJAS CASADAS:

¡Ustedes pueden mejorar su romance conyugal y construir un mejor matrimonio! Nunca es demasiado tarde para experimentar el gozo que los métodos de planificación familiar natural ofrecen a su relación.

PAREJAS DE NOVIOS:

Si tienen interés en comenzar su vida juntos como marido y mujer amándose uno a otro naturalmente, nunca es demasiado temprano para aprender lo de la planificación familiar natural.

¿DONDE PUEDO APRENDER LA PFN?

Llame a la Oficina de Vida Familiar/ Diócesis de Metuchen al (732) 562-1990 ext. 1705 o, por carta electrónica al family.life@diometuchen.org, para más información o para inscribirse para las clases en un lugar cerca de su casa.

MENSAJE DEL PADRE AL

Mis Queridos feligreses, ha llegado a mi conocimiento que personas que no son católicos están recibiendo la comunión en nuestra Iglesia. Por lo tanto, a instancias de las autoridades competentes de la Diócesis, les estoy dando algunas pautas para aquellos que son de diferentes religiones y desea recibir la comunión en la Iglesia. En primer lugar, tenemos un proceso llamado el inicio Cristiano de Adultos (RICA), que comenzará el próximo otoño. Por favor, póngase en contacto con el Diácono Gary Newton si desea iniciarse en nuestra fe. Ojalá que todos se sientan bienvenidos en nuestra Iglesia, pero es necesario que haya un poco de conocimiento de lo que está recibiendo, que es el Cuerpo de Cristo para nosotros los católicos, y eso hace que sea muy sagrado. Por favor, ser conscientes de ello y solo valla a la línea de la comunión, con los brazos cruzados frente a tu pecho para recibir una bendición del sacerdote que da la comunión ese día. Gracias por su comprensión. Como Pastor de San José, es mi deber de mantener la integridad de este Sacramento. Por favor, lea las guías de la diócesis. Lo mismo se aplica a cualquier imposibilitado que no es católico. Además, a los Ministros de la Eucaristía, necesito saber a quién le están llevando la Sagrada Comunión. Gracias por su cooperación.

Fr. Al

PARA LOS CATÓLICOS

Como católicos, participamos plenamente en la celebración de la Eucaristía cuando recibimos la Sagrada Comunión. Se nos anima a recibir la Comunión devota y frecuentemente. Con él fin de estar bien dispuestos a recibir la Comunión, los participantes no deben tener conciencia de estar en pecado grave y que normalmente deberían haber ayunado durante una hora. Una persona que es consciente de estar en pecado grave no es para recibir el Cuerpo y la Sangre del Señor sin confesión sacramental contraído, salvo por causa grave donde no hay oportunidad para la confesión. En este caso, la persona debe ser consciente de la obligación de hacer un acto de contrición perfecta, que incluye el propósito de confesarse cuanto antes (canon 916). A la recepción frecuente del sacramento de la Penitencia se anima para todos.

PARA NUESTROS HERMANOS CRISTIANOS

Damos la bienvenida a nuestros hermanos cristianos a esta celebración de la Eucaristía como a nuestros hermanos y hermanas. Oramos para que nuestro bautismo común y la acción del Espíritu Santo en esta Eucaristía nos acerquemos más unos a otros y

comenzar a disipar las tristes divisiones que nos separan. Oramos para que éstos disminuirán y finalmente desaparecer, en consonancia con la oración de Cristo por nosotros "para que todos sean uno" (Jn 17, 21). Debido a que los católicos creen que la celebración de la Eucaristía es un signo de la realidad de la unidad de la fe, la vida y el culto, los miembros de esas iglesias con las que todavía no estamos totalmente Unidas son normalmente no admitidos a la sagrada comunión. Compartir la Eucaristía, en circunstancias excepcionales, por otros cristianos requiere autorización, de acuerdo a las directrices del Obispo diocesano y de las disposiciones del Derecho Canónico (canon 844.4). Se insta a los Miembros de las Iglesias Ortodoxas, la Iglesia Asiria de Oriente, y la Iglesia Católica Nacional Polaca de respetar la disciplina de su propia Iglesia. De acuerdo con la disciplina católica, el Código de Derecho Canónico no se opone a la recepción de la comunión de los cristianos de estas Iglesias (canon 844 3).

SEGUNDA COLECTA

El próximo Domingo 27 de Junio, la segunda colecta será destinada para reparar el techo de la sacristía y el community room y repavimentar el estacionamiento de la Iglesia, por favor sea generoso dentro de sus posibilidades. Muchas gracias por su contribución.

REGISTRACIÓN PARA EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA

Estamos aceptando registración para la educación religiosa, comunión y confirmación ofrecida en nuestra Parroquia. Este programa está abierto a todos los niños en las escuelas públicas en grados Pre-K a 8 grado. Los niños de nuestra parroquia deben de asistir a las clases religiosas igual como van a la escuela hasta 8º grado cuando recibirán el sacramento de la Confirmación. Ningún niño será admitido a clases de confirmación si no asistió del 6-8 grado a clases de religión. Para más información por favor llame a Kathy Champignon al (732) 356-0645 o personalmente en la oficina parroquial de Lunes a Jueves de 9:00 AM a 12:00 y 1:30 a 4:00 PM o Martes y Jueves de 6:30 a 8:30 PM.