

Parish Ministries

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Parish Services

Parish Office: Open Monday through Thursday from 9:00 AM-4:00 PM (closed 12:00-1:30 PM for lunch).

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings from 6:30-8:30 PM.

Fridays from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM (closed on Fridays in the summer from Memorial Day through Labor Day).

Parish Office/Chapel of the Nativity:
124 East Second Street

Church: 111 East High Street (corner of Mountain Avenue and East High Street)

Parish Office: (732) 356-0027

Parish Fax: (732) 356-8092

Emergencies Only: **(732) 356-8936**

Website: www.sjcbb.net

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.

Confirmation, First Eucharist, First

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 8:30 AM Mass in the Chapel.

Eucharistic Adoration:

- First Friday of the month from 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM, Benediction in English in the Chapel.

- Second Friday of the month from 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM, Benediction in Spanish in the Chapel.

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.

New Parishioners

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.

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. 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.

Holy Savior Academy

The Middlebrook Deanery

Catholic School

(Grades Pre-K through 8)

149 South Plainfield Avenue

South Plainfield, NJ 07080

(908) 822-5890

www.holsavioracademy.com

Mrs. Carol Woodburn, Principal



Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 13, 2018



“That they may be one just as we are one.”

Masses/Penance for the Week

Monday, May 14, 2018

8:30 AM † Healing of Elsa Silva, request of Digna Allccaco

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

8:30 AM † World Peace

Wednesday, May 16, 2018

8:30 AM † Carlos Villamil, request of family

Thursday, May 17, 2018

8:30 AM † Deceased members of the DeMato family, request of Bart and Ginny DeMato

Friday, May 18, 2018

8:30 AM † People of the Parish

Saturday, May 19, 2018

8:30 AM † Souls in Purgatory

4:00 PM Penance

5:00 PM J. Michael Rose, request of wife, Muriel

7:00 PM Nayeli Plascencia and Jesus Ornela, request of Plascencia and Ornela family

Sunday, May 20, 2018

8:00 AM Maddalena Stracquadanio, request of granddaughter, Joan

10:00 AM Edward Casper, request of Neubauer family

12:00 PM Angel Silva, request of Rosario Silva

† Masses held in the Chapel.



St. Joseph Catholic Church, Bound Brook

Next Sunday's Readings

Pentecost

Reading 1: Acts 2:1-11

As on Sinai, the Lord descends in fire and wind.

Reading 2: Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13

The Spirit calls the baptized to ministry for the common good. or

Galatians 5:16-25

The fruits of the Spirit

Gospel: John 20:19-23

On the first day of the week, the risen Christ imparts the Holy Spirit. or

John 15:26-27; 16:12-15

The Spirit of truth will guide you to all the truth.

This Week

Monday, May 14, 2018

1:00 PM Rosary Altar Society in the Community Room

7:00 PM Divine Mercy Formation in the Upper Room

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

7:00 PM Parish Council Meeting in the Upper Room

7:00-8:00 PM Retreat Meeting in the Library

Wednesday, May 16, 2018

7:00 PM Spanish Proclamation of the Word in the Library

7:00-9:00 PM Bible Study in the Upper Room

Thursday, May 17, 2018

4:30 PM Spanish Choir Practice in the Church

5:30 PM Children's Choir Practice in the Church

6:30 PM Bell Choir Practice in the Church

7:30 PM Choir Practice in the Church

7:00 PM Divine Mercy in the Chapel

Friday, May 18, 2018

9:30 AM Holy Hour of Prayer for Priests in the Chapel

6:00-8:00 PM Youth Group in the Upper Room

Saturday, May 19, 2018

6:00-8:00 PM Encuentro Matrimonial in the Community Room

7:00-9:00 PM Spanish Prayer Group in the Chapel

Opening of 2019 Mass Intention Book

The 2019 Mass Intention Book will open on Wednesday, July 11, 2018 at 9:30 AM in the Parish Office.



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

If you or someone you know would like to hear more about Jesus and His church, we invite you to join us at an Inquiry Session. In addition, if you wish to be baptized into the Catholic Faith, you are already baptized and wish to receive the other Sacraments of Initiation, or you come to us from another faith wishing to become a fully initiated member of the Catholic Church, then we invite you to join RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). For more information about sessions in English, please contact Deacon Gary Newton at Deacon.Gary@sjccb.net or for sessions in Spanish, contact Sr. Susana Islas at Sr.Susana@sjcbb.net.



St. Bernard Cemetery Site Supervisor



St. Bernard of Clairvaux Parish in Bridgewater is advertising for a Cemetery Site Supervisor. If you know anyone who may be interested, please share this with them or direct them to the parish

website <http://www.stbernardbridgewater.org> or Facebook page. Full time, year-round landscape/maintenance position for a reliable, self-motivated individual to maintain cemetery grounds in Somerset County, NJ. Assist with burials and mausoleum entombments. Small engine repair and cemetery experience a plus. Valid NJ Driver's license required. Some overtime necessary and occasional Saturdays. Good hourly rate with excellent benefits. No phone calls will be accepted. Please email your response with your resume and verifiable work experience to cemetery@stbernardbridgewater.org. Must be able to pass a background check and drug screening.

Prayer for Our Military

Father, keep our servicemen and women physically safe and healthy, and guard them from the evil one. Help them resist all temptation, be a shield around them, and guard them as the apple of Your eye. In the powerful name of Jesus we pray, amen.



Stewardship Reflection

"Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God." 1 JOHN 4:15

How strong is your faith? When you have an opportunity to either defend or clarify a question about our Catholic faith, do you do it? Or, do you remain silent so that others don't think you are weird? Pray for the courage to be strong in all circumstances and to share your witness with others.

Our Lady of Fatima Celebration

Date: Sunday, May 20, 2018 **Time:** 7:30 PM

Location: Our Lady of Fatima Church
50 Van Winkle Place | Piscataway, NJ

Our Lady of Fatima Parish will honor its patroness with their annual candlelight procession. It will begin with trumpet fanfare as the beautiful statue of Our Lady of Fatima leaves the church on a platform covered with flowers. This year is a special year, as it marks the centennial year anniversary of the apparitions of Our Blessed Mother at Fatima. The procession will begin outside the church on Van Winkle Place and process throughout the streets in the area, reciting the Rosary and singing the Fatima Ave. A program in the church will follow. For more information please contact Roberta Maurer at (732) 245-9124.

Volunteer Mentors

Catholic Charities is currently seeking volunteer mentors. Both male and female members are needed to participate in one-to-one activities and be a role model to young people. Do you:

- Have a minimum of three hours per week to offer a child?
- Like having fun?
- Reside in or near Middlesex County or Franklin Township?

Want to make a difference in a child's life? Contact Jeanette Cullen at (732) 738-1323 or jcullen@ccdeom.org.



A Course in Christian Maturity

"There's Always More..."

Offered by The Body of Christ Prayer Group at St. Francis Cathedral. Join us and experience: More Love of God and More Power of the Holy Spirit in your life. Thursday evenings.

Dates: More Love: May 17, 24 and 31, 2018

More Power: June 14, 21 and 28, 2018

Time: 8:00 - 9:30 PM

Location: 528 Main Street, Metuchen, NJ Community Room, located below the Cathedral. Enter from Cathedral parking lot on Library Place.

More Information: Contact Tom (732) 549-4740 or email mockofam@optonline.net.

Sunday Offering

The week ended May 6, 2018

Regular Collection \$5,504

2nd Collection – Catholic Communications \$1,130

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

Vacation Bible School is Coming!

We are planning another exciting Vacation Bible School experience for this summer! Mark your calendars for July 16-20. The theme this year is “Shipwrecked” – Rescued by Jesus! At Shipwrecked, kids will discover that Jesus rescues them! Kids will participate in memorable Bible-learning activities, sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, make and devour yummy treats, and experience one-of-a-kind Bible adventures! Shipwrecked is for kids from Pre-K to 5th grade and will run from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM each day. To register for VBS, or if you have any questions, please call the Office of Religious Education at (732) 356-0645.



Attention Youth!

Join us for our youth group, *Youth United in Christ!* We meet every Friday from 6:00-8:00 PM in the Upper Room. If you have questions please call (732) 648-5775.

NJ Catholic Youth Rally

Open to all Scouting, Jr. High, High School, Young Adult Ministries, Parish school athletic programs and families. Includes admission to Six Flags Great Adventure, free parking vouchers, free ticket to “Holiday in the Park for every person who enters the catering area. Private all-you-can-eat buffet from 12:30-3:30 PM. Schedule includes: Opening Prayer Service at 9:30 AM, Sunday Liturgy at 6:00 PM (hosted by Diocese of Metuchen). Flyers are available in the narthex of the church.



Date: Sunday, May 20, 2018

Cost: Total cost per person: \$50.

Registration: www.diometuchen.org/youth-and-young-adult-ministry/.

Que Vadis

June 25-27, 2018

Open to Young Men Ages 14-17. You're invited to spend three days living, praying and interacting with priests, seminarians and faith-filled teens your own age. The days will include dynamic talks, a visit from Bishop Checchio, sports and activities, prayer, small group discussion and so much more. For more information please email quovadis@diometuchen.org.

Rosary Altar Society

The next meeting of the Rosary Altar Society will be on Monday, May 14. The meeting will begin at 1:00 PM and will be held in the Community Room at the church. Hoping to see all members at this meeting!

Parish Giving

St. Joseph Parish offers *Parish Giving*, an online option for donating to the Sunday collection. It's Simple. Log on to the St. Joseph Parish website www.sjccb.net and click on the Parish Giving Logo. Follow the easy registration instructions.

Music Ministry

The Music Ministry is welcoming new members. There are various groups where your talent will be useful. Rehearsals are on Thursdays.

4:30 PM Spanish Choir
5:30 PM Children's Choir
6:30 PM Bell Choir
7:30 PM Choir Practice

The only requirement to join is to want to make music to beautify our liturgies here at Saint Joseph Church. For more information contact Maritza Alvarez after Masses or e-mail Maritza.Alvarez@sjccb.net.

St. Joseph Parish Retreat

May 25, 26 and 27, 2018

Theme: Reflections of Mary

Join us this year at Mount Alvernia Retreat Center in Wappinger Falls, NY for the annual St. Joseph Retreat.

Come away and spend some time with Jesus.

The weekend is filled with activity as well as reflective time; talks by the Franciscan Friars, group reflection, Eucharistic adoration/celebration, and faith sharing, to name a few. **\$190 per person includes bus transportation, meals, private room/bath and activities.**

Facility is air-conditioned and handicap accessible. Please register by Friday, April 27, 2018. Send checks made payable to “St. Joseph Church CIAM” along with the form below to: St. Joseph Church, PO Box 72, Bound Brook, NJ 08805. Please clearly mark the envelope “Retreat”. Any questions, please call Edith Brizzi (908) 581-3545.

Retreat Registration Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Will you be going on the bus? _____

Sharing room with: _____

Return to: Retreat Team, St. Joseph Church,
124 East Second St., Bound Brook, NJ 08805

Lecturas Para el Próximo Domingo

Pentecostés

Primera Lectura: Hechos 2: 1-11

Se llenaron todos del Espíritu Santo y empezaron a hablar en otros idiomas, según el Espíritu los inducía.

Segunda Lectura: 1 Corintios 12:3b-7, 12-13

Hemos sido bautizados en un mismo Espíritu para formar un solo cuerpo.

Evangelio: Juan 20: 19-23

Como el Padre me ha enviado, así también los envié yo: Reciban el Espíritu Santo.

Avisos a la Comunidad

Confesiones

Las confesiones se realizan en inglés y español:

- **Sábados** de 4:00 a 4:45 PM en la Iglesia.

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.

Durante esta Semana

Divina Misericordia

Todos los jueves a las 7:00 PM se reúnen en la Capilla el grupo de la Divina Misericordia. Cada tercer jueves del mes se tiene Hora Santa. Para más información llamar a José Molina al 732-824-9570.

Círculo de Oración

Todos los sábados a las 6:30 PM se reúne el círculo de oración en la Capilla. **¡Los esperamos!**

¡Atención Jóvenes !

Jesús te está llamando, **¡Jóvenes Unidos en Cristo!** Ven a unirse al grupo para compartir juntos el amor que Jesús tiene para nosotros a través de la reflexión de la lectura Bíblica, oración y recreación, formando una comunidad de fe y amor. Únete a nosotros los viernes de 6:00-8:00 PM en lo alto del centro parroquial. ¡No te olvides de traer a un amigo!



Parish Giving

—SIGN UP FOR ELECTRONIC GIVING—

La parroquia St. Joseph ahora ofrece Parish Giving, una nueva manera de transferencia electrónica para donar la contribución del domingo. Visite el sitio web de la Parroquia St. Joseph www.sjcb.net, y haga clic en el logo de Parish Giving y luego siga las sencillas instrucciones de registro.

Tome Nota

La Hermana Susana Islas atiende en la oficina parroquial los lunes y miércoles de 9:45 a 11:45 AM y de 1:30 a 4:30 PM, jueves de 2:30 a 9:00 PM y viernes de 9:45 a 12:00 del mediodía, para los que deseen hablarle. Para hacer una cita con la Hermana llame al teléfono (732) 356-0027.

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 o a su correo deacon.gustavo@sjcb.net.

La Sra. Martha Rovitto atiende en la oficina Parroquial (donde está la Capilla) todo lo relacionado con Misas, bautismos, registros parroquiales y certificados. Ella está en la oficina todos los martes, miércoles y jueves de 6:30 a 8:30 PM y vía telefónica llamando al (732) 356-0027 ext. 6.

Ana Valencia la asistente del programa de Educación Religiosa (CCD) está todos los miércoles de 6:30 a 8:30 PM en la oficina Parroquial, para las personas que necesiten consultar sobre sus niños que están en la catequesis.

Sobres de Contribución a la Iglesia



Todavía quedan muchos sobres de contribución y asistencia, que no fueron recogidos. Por favor si usted está registrado en la Parroquia y el año pasado tenía los sobres debe venir a buscarlos, **tome en cuenta que no los mandamos por correo.** Gracias por su colaboración.

Mes de la Virgen María

Mayo mes de la Virgen María. Recemos el Rosario a nuestra Madre en familia por la paz del mundo.

Advocaciones Marianas

Argentina: Nuestra Señora de Luján

Bolivia: Nuestra Señora de Copacabana

Brasil: Nuestra Señora de Aparecida

Chile: Virgen del Carmen de Maipú

Colombia: Nuestra Señora de Chiquinquirá

Costa Rica: Nuestra Señora de los Ángeles

Cuba: Virgen de la Caridad del Cobre



Nuevos Bautizados



Damos la bienvenida a nuestra familia Cristiana de la Iglesia St. Joseph a Brianna Rojas-Duarte que el pasado fin de semana recibió el bautismo. Felicidades a los

padres y padrinos y que la luz de Cristo Resucitado permanezca por siempre en el corazón de esta niña y para siempre sea luz.

Reflexiones

Ascensión de Nuestro Señor

"Quien confiesa que Jesús es el Hijo de Dios, Dios permanece en él y él en Dios". 1 JUAN 4:15

¿Qué tan fuerte es tu fe? Cuando tienes la oportunidad de defender o aclarar una pregunta sobre nuestra fe católica, ¿lo haces? ¿O permaneces en silencio para que los demás no piensen que eres raro? Ora por el valor de ser fuerte en todas las circunstancias y compartir tu testimonio con los demás.

Escuela Bíblica en Vacaciones

¡Guarde la fecha que estamos planeando otra experiencia emocionante de la escuela bíblica de las vacaciones para este verano! Marque su calendario para para los días 16-20 de julio. ¡El tema de este año es "Shipwrecked" (náufragos) rescatados por Jesús! ¡en Shipwrecked, los niños descubrirán que Jesús los rescata! Los niños participarán en actividades memorables de la Biblia, cantarán canciones fáciles y alegres, participarán en juegos de trabajo en equipo, y experimentarán aventuras bíblicas en cada clase. Shipwrecked es para los niños de Pre-K a 5º grado y se ejecutará cada día de 9:00 am a 12:00 pm. Puede registrarse en VBS, o si tiene alguna pregunta, por favor llame a la oficina de educación religiosa (732) 356-0645.



Pregunta de la Semana

¿Con qué frecuencia me quedo parado y sólo, mirando alrededor cuando hay tanto trabajo por hacer?, o ¿cuándo están sucediendo injusticias o cuando hay alguien con alguna necesidad? ¿Qué debo hacer para animarme y actuar día tras día?

Información sobre Anulaciones

El domingo 27 de mayo, después de la misa de 12 del mediodía la señorita Sarah Acevedo que trabaja en el Tribunal de la Diócesis de Metuchen, vendrá a dar información sobre anulaciones para todos aquellos interesados en saber sobre este tema o que están pasando por situación de este tipo y necesitan información.

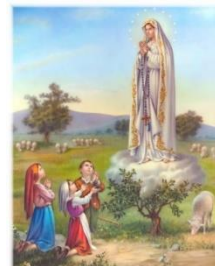
Celebración de nuestra Señora de Fátima

Fecha: domingo, 20 de mayo de 2018

Hora: 7:30 PM

Ubicación: Nuestra Señora de Fátima, 50 Van Winkle Place Piscataway, NJ

La parroquia de nuestra Señora de Fátima honrará a su patrona con fanfarria con la hermosa estatua de nuestra Señora de Fátima saliendo de la iglesia en una plataforma cubierta de flores. Este año es un año especial, ya que marca el centenario de la aparición de nuestra Santísima Mather en Fátima. La procesión comenzará fuera de la iglesia en Van Winkle Place y seguirá a través de las calles en la zona, recitando el Rosario y cantando. En la iglesia habrá un programa para seguir. Para más información, póngase en contacto con Roberta Maurer al (732) 245-9124.



Rally de Jóvenes Católicos de NJ

Abierto a todos los Scouting, Jr. High School, Ministerio de jóvenes adultos, Parish/ School Athletic Programs & Families. Admisión a Six Flags Great Adventure. El paquete NJ Catholic Youth Rally Incluye: Vouches de estacionamiento gratis. Boleto gratis para "Holiday in Park" por cada persona que ingresa al área de catering. Buffet privado de 12:30 a 3:30 pm. El horario incluye: Servicio de oración de apertura a las 9:30 am. Liturgia dominical a las 6:00 pm (organizada por la diócesis de Metuchen).

Los folletos están disponibles a la entrada de la iglesia.



Fecha: domingo 20 de mayo de 2018

Costo: costo total por persona: \$50

Registro: www.diometuchen.org/Youth-andyoung-Adult-Ministry/.

Feliz día
de las
Madres

