

## 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

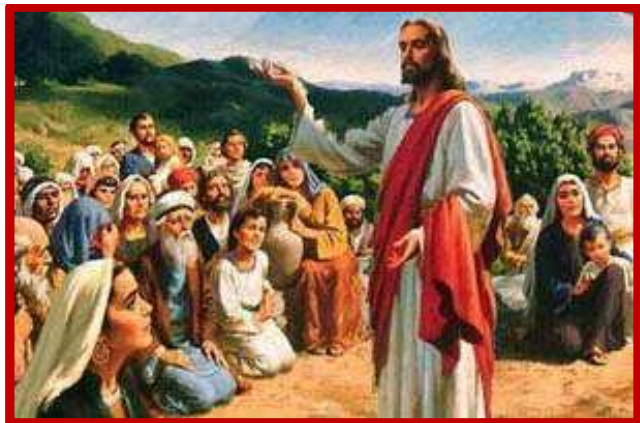
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Mrs. Carol Woodburn, Principal



## Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 22, 2018



They were like sheep without a shepherd.

### Masses/Penance for the Week

#### Sixteenth Week in Ordinary Time

##### Monday, July 23, 2018

8:30 AM † Jack Neary, request of children

##### Tuesday, July 24, 2018

8:30 AM † Louise Ann Pohida, request of  
Wayne Pohida

##### Wednesday, July 25, 2018

8:30 AM † Miguel A. Fragroso, MD, request of  
St. Joseph Parish Staff

##### Thursday, July 26, 2018

8:30 AM † Mike Schofield, request of Ray Gleason

##### Friday, July 27, 2018

8:30 AM † People of the Parish

##### Saturday, July 28, 2018

8:30 AM † Souls in Purgatory

4:00 PM Penance

5:00 PM Concetta Gugliotti, request of family

7:00 PM Deceased members of the Moran family,  
request of Moran-Gurrero family

##### Sunday, July 29, 2018

8:00 AM Peggy Campbell, request of  
St. Joseph Choir

10:00 AM Carolos Ruiz, request of wife and  
children

12:00 PM Irma Rojas, request of Ana Campos

† Masses held in the Chapel.

### 2019 Mass Intention Book

The 2019 Mass Intention Book is now open. You can reserve your masses in the parish office or following masses on the first weekend of the month.

Please note that a mass intention can be offered for the deceased or living (birthday, anniversary, healing).

### Next Sunday's Readings

#### Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

##### Reading 1: 2 Kings 4:42-44

They shall eat and there shall be some left over.

##### Reading 2: Ephesians 4:1-6

One body, one Lord, one faith, one baptism.

##### Gospel: John 6:1-15

He distributed as much as they wanted to those who reclining.

### This Week

#### Thursday, July 26, 2018

7:00-9:00 PM Divine Mercy in the Chapel

#### Friday, July 27, 2018

6:30-8:30 PM Youth Group in the Upper Room

#### Saturday, July 28, 2018

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

### 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.



### ShopRite Gift Cards

St. Joseph Church sells ShopRite Gift cards after weekend Masses. This is a simple, painless way to donate to the Church and make things easier you go to ShopRite. The way it works is, gift cards are purchased by you at face value. The parish benefits because we are able to purchase the cards at a 5% discount. Therefore, for every \$100 worth of cards sold, the church earns \$5. If you patronize ShopRite, we hope you will consider buying and using gift cards from St. Joseph.



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## 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](mailto:Deacon.Gary@sjccb.net), or for sessions in Spanish, please contact Deacon Edgar Chaves at [Deacon.Edgar@sjcbb.net](mailto:Deacon.Edgar@sjcbb.net).



## Silver and Gold Wedding Anniversary Celebration

**Sunday, October 21, 2018 at 4:00 PM**

You are cordially invited to celebrate your 25th and 50th Wedding Anniversary with the Church of Metuchen. Renew your marriage vows with Bishop James F. Checchio at a special Evening Prayer Service in the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi, Metuchen.

Please register online by logging on to the diocesan website <https://diometuchen.org/offices-and-ministries/family-and-pastoral-life/family-life/silver-and-gold/online-registration/>. The system will automatically generate a confirmation message with some facts about the event. More specifics will be sent closer to the event. If you are unable to access, please contact your parish secretary or the Family Life Office at (732) 243-4582 or [amatos@diometuchen.org](mailto:amatos@diometuchen.org).

Even though no fee is required, in the past many Jubilian couples have given a donation of gratitude to the Church in memory of this special occasion. Donations of gratitude can be made online or by calling (732) 243-4582 Monday through Friday during business hours. Registration will close on Wednesday, October 3, 2018.

## 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.sjcbb.net](http://www.sjcbb.net) and click on the Parish Giving Logo. Follow the easy registration instructions.

## Saints Joachim and Anne

**Feast Day – July 26**

By tradition Joachim and Anne are considered to be the names of the parents of Mary, the Mother of God. We have no historical evidence, however, of any elements of their lives, including their names. Any stories about Mary's father and mother come to us through legend and tradition.

We get the oldest story from a document called the Gospel of James, though in no way should this document be trusted to be factual, historical, or the Word of God. The legend told in this document says that after years of childlessness, an angel appeared to tell Anne and Joachim that they would have a child. Anne promised to dedicate this child to God.



For those who wonder what we can learn from people we know nothing about and how we can honor them, we must focus on why they are honored by the church. Whatever their names or the facts of their lives, the truth is that it was the

parents of Mary who nurtured Mary, taught her, and brought her up to be a worthy Mother of God. It was their teaching that led her to respond to God's request with faith, "Let it be done to me as you will." It was their example of parenting that Mary must have followed as she brought up her own son, Jesus. It was their faith that laid the foundation of courage and strength that allowed her to stand by the cross as her son was crucified and still believe. *Source: Catholic Online*

## Stress in your Marriage?

Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage? Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with your spouse? Are you constantly fighting? Or, do you simply shut down? Have you thought about separation or divorce? Does talking about it only make it worse?



**...Retrouvaille is a Lifeline to Help Couples Heal and Renew their Marriages.** The program consists of a weekend experience for married couples (no group discussions) with six follow-up sessions.

The next weekend is August 24-26, 2018. For further information please call the Family Life Office (732) 243-4573. To register, call Rich and Annette Colasuonno (732) 236-0671, or email [3024@retrouvaille.org](mailto:3024@retrouvaille.org).

## Message from Sister Susana

Father Al, thank you very much for all of the attention you have showered on me in my final days at St. Joseph parish. Both my farewell gathering at the church and the picnic at the rectory were lovely. I was very touched and full of emotion. Now that I have time to reflect on all the details, I feel it was much more than I deserve. All that you have done is very appreciated and means a lot to me, Fr. Al, thank you so much for everything. I ask for your blessings and prayers. Know that you can count on mine. Thank you for everything, Sr. Susana

## Religious Education 2018/19

All children between the ages of 7 and 13 years who do not go to a Catholic school are required to participate in religious education each year. Classes are once a week between September and May. During that time, two years will be devoted to the preparation of the sacrament of First Communion and another two years for the preparation of the sacrament of Confirmation. Registration is now available on parish website at [www.sjcbb.net](http://www.sjcbb.net) or in the parish office, Monday through Thursday from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM and 1:30 to 4:00 PM and Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30 PM. New registrants please bring a copy of the Baptismal and First Communion certificate if the sacraments were not performed at St. Joseph church. Tuition can be paid in cash or check.

## First Communion and Confirmation Photos

First Communion and confirmation photos have been delivered. If you placed an order, please stop by the parish office to pick them up.

## Stewardship Reflection

*"...come away by yourselves to a lonely place and rest awhile."* MARK 6:31

Do you spend time, every day, alone and in silence listening to how God is calling you? If not, you are missing out on a wonderful opportunity to develop a more personal relationship with Him. Unless we talk and more importantly, listen to God every day, how else will we know how He is calling us? Consider making a retreat this year, spend some "alone" time with God.

*Love One Another*  
AS I HAVE LOVED YOU. JOHN 13:34

## Sunday Offering

The week ended July 15

Regular Collection.....\$3,462

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

## Church Heating/AC Replacement

Would you consider making a pledge of \$50, \$100 or any amount to help St. Joseph Parish replace its HVAC system? No amount is too great or too small.

*Please make a pledge to help your parish!*

Last year, the Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC) systems in the Parish Office, Chapel, and Upper Room were replaced at a great expense to the parish.

In May of this year we were informed that the decades old, outdated HVAC system in the Main Church cannot be further repaired and is in need of replacement, at a cost of over **\$60,000**, a tremendous financial burden on the parish! Presently, the air conditioning system continues to operate, but come the cold weather, **there will be no heat unless the HVAC system is replaced.**

An account has been created called the "Church HVAC Replacement Fund" for parishioners to contribute whatever they are able. The funds will be used solely for the replacement of the HVAC system in the main church.

I count on you, our faithful parishioners, to help us through this crippling financial burden. Please be as generous as your means allow. All donations are tax deductible.

Please make a pledge today, and for those who already donated, your generosity is greatly appreciated!

Yours in Christ, Fr. Al

**Status: A total of \$6,896 has been collected to date.**

### HVAC Replacement Pledge Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Pledge Amount:  \$50  \$100  Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Pledges and donations can be dropped in the collection basket or returned to the Parish Office in an enveloped marked "HVAC Replacement."

## Lecturas Para el Próximo Domingo

### Décimo Séptimo Domingo Ordinario

**Primera Lectura: 2 Reyes 4: 42-44**

"Comerán todos y sobrarán."

**Segunda Lectura: Efesios 4: 1-6**

Una sola fe, un solo bautismo, un solo Dios y Padres de todos que reina sobre todos y vive en todos.

**Evangelio: Juan 6: 1-5**

Después de que todos se saciaron, recogieron doce canastos de pan.

## 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 unirte 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.sjcbb.net](http://www.sjcbb.net), y haga clic en el logo de Parish Giving y luego siga las sencillas instrucciones de registro.

## Tome Nota

**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@sjcbb.net](mailto:Deacon.Gustavo@sjcbb.net).

**El Diácono Edgar Chaves** está disponible para las personas adultas que deseen hacer el bautismo, comunión o confirmación. También él está a cargo de la Divina Misericordia y los ensayos de matrimonio en español, si desea más información o inscribirse para las clases de los sacramentos contacte al diacono en su correo: [Deacon.Edgar@sjcbb.net](mailto:Deacon.Edgar@sjcbb.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.

## Reflexiones

### 16º domingo del tiempo ordinario

*"... vengan a un lugar solitario y descansen un poco"*  
**MARCOS 6:31**

¿Pasas tiempo, todos los días, solo y en silencio escuchando cómo Dios te está llamando? Si no, te estás perdiendo una maravillosa oportunidad de desarrollar una relación más personal con él. A menos que hablemos y, lo que es más importante, escuchemos a Dios todos los días, ¿de qué otro modo sabremos cómo Él nos está llamando? Considere hacer un retiro este año, pasar un tiempo "solitario" con Dios.

## Pregunta de la Semana

¿Qué es aquello que me hace reaccionar con compasión, de una manera visceral, hacia los demás? Y entonces, ¿qué hago?

## Intención de Misa

El libro de intenciones de las Misas para el 2019 está disponible. Si usted desea pedir una Misa, por favor pase por la oficina de la parroquia de lunes a jueves de 9:00 a 12:00 pm, 1:30 a 4:00 PM o martes, miércoles o jueves de 6:30 a 8:30 PM.

**Tenga en cuenta:** La Diócesis requiere que, a todas las intenciones de Misas se deje una ofrenda en el momento de solicitarlas.



## Nuevos Bautizados



Damos la bienvenida a nuestra familia Cristiana de la Iglesia St. Joseph a: Perla Rosas-Amozoc, Amy Vázquez, Lauren Alexandria Vázquez y Victoria Vázquez que el pasado fin de semana recibieron el

bautismo. Felicidades a los padres y padrinos y que la luz de Cristo permanezca por siempre en el corazón de estas niñas y para siempre sea luz.

## Rito de Iniciación Cristiana de los Adultos

Si usted o alguien que usted conoce le gustaría escuchar más acerca de Jesús y su iglesia, le invitamos a unirse a nosotros en una Sesión de Información del R.I.C.A. Si usted desea ser bautizado en la Iglesia Católica, o si ya está bautizado y desea recibir los otros sacramentos de iniciación, o viene a nosotros de otra fe y desea ser plenamente iniciado como miembro de la Iglesia Católica, entonces le invitamos a unirse a RICA (Rito de Iniciación Cristiana de Adultos). RICA es el proceso que le llevará al Bautismo (por los no bautizados), Eucaristía y Confirmación. Caminemos juntos en un camino de fe. Para más información acerca de las sesiones en inglés, por favor contactar con el diácono Gary Newton a [Deacon.Gary@sjccb.net](mailto:Deacon.Gary@sjccb.net) o para sesiones en español, comuníquese con diacono Edgar Chaves a [Deacon.Edgar@sjcbb.net](mailto:Deacon.Edgar@sjcbb.net), o ir en persona a la oficina Parroquial martes, miércoles o jueves de 6:30 a 8:30 PM.



## Clases de Educación Religiosa 2018-19

Todos los niños entre las edades de 7 a 13 años quien no van a una escuela católica son requeridos a participar en Educación Religiosa cada año. Las clases son una vez por semana entre septiembre a mayo. Durante ese tiempo, dos años serán dedicados a la preparación de Primera Comunión y otros dos años para la recepción del Sacramento de Confirmación. Las registraciones ya están disponibles en sitio web de la parroquia [www.sjcbb.net](http://www.sjcbb.net), y en la oficina parroquial, de lunes a jueves de 9:00 AM a 12:00 PM y 1:30 a 4:00 PM y martes, miércoles y jueves de 6:30 a 8:30 PM. Registros nuevos favor de traer una copia del Certificado de Bautismo y Primera Comunión si no se realizó en el Iglesia de St. Joseph. La matrícula se puede pagar en efectivo o en cheque.

## Celebración de Aniversario de Oro y Plata

Usted está cordialmente invitado a celebrar sus 25th y 50th Aniversario de Bodas, en la Catedral de Metuchen. Renueve sus votos matrimoniales con una especial celebración por el Obispo James F. Checchio en la Catedral de San Francis, el:



**Domingo 21 de octubre, 2018 a las 4:00 PM.**

Por favor regístrese en línea ingresando a la página web Diocesana <https://diometuchen.org/Offices-and-Ministries/Family-and-pastoral-Life/Family-Life/Silver-and-Gold/online-registration/>. El sistema generará automáticamente un mensaje de confirmación con algunos datos sobre el evento. Más detalles se enviarán más cerca del evento. Si usted no puede acceder, por favor comuníquese con su secretaria de la parroquia o con la oficina de vida familiar al (732) 243-4582 o [Amatos@diometuchen.org](mailto:Amatos@diometuchen.org).

Aunque no se requiere ningún cargo, en el pasado muchas parejas han dado una donación de gratitud a la iglesia en memoria de esta ocasión especial. Las donaciones de gratitud pueden hacerse en línea o llamando al (732) 243-4582 de lunes a viernes durante las horas de trabajo. El registro se cerrará el miércoles, 3 de octubre de 2018. Tom en cuenta que esta ceremonia no es válida como **Misa de Domingo de precepto**.

## Modo de Vestir en la Iglesia

EL verano y las altas temperaturas nos provoca vestir muy livianos de ropa, pero: les recordamos sobre la importancia de honrar a Nuestro Señor al atender la Misa del Domingo, al entrar en la iglesia y especialmente **al recibir la Comunión o cuando ofrecen una Misa y llevan la ofrenda al Altar**, evitar los pantalones cortos (shorts), las camisetas sin mangas o los vestidos demasiados descubiertos. La manera de vestir indica el respeto a lo sagrado, por favor téngalo en cuenta al venir a la Iglesia.

## Horario de Verano de la Oficina Parroquial

A partir de la primera semana de junio, la oficina parroquial estará cerrada los viernes, se reanudarán después del Día del Trabajo, viernes 7 de septiembre. A comenzar nuestro horario de verano, no celebraremos la Adoración Eucarística los viernes por la mañana después de la Misa de 8:30 AM. Se reanudará la Adoración Eucarística en septiembre. Gracias por su comprensión.