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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.holysavioracademy.com

Mrs. Carol Woodburn, Principal



Baptism of the Lord

January 13, 2019



MASSES/PENANCE FOR THE WEEK

Monday, January 14, 2019

8:30 AM † People of the Parish

Tuesday, January 15, 2019

8:30 AM † Theresa Bertucci, request of Molly and Tony Colalillo

Wednesday, January 16, 2019

8:30 AM † Randy Cancel, request of Mom and Dad

Thursday, January 17, 2019

8:30 AM † Ann Cieri, request of Gloria Villamil

Friday, January 18, 2019

8:30 AM † World Peace

Saturday, January 19, 2019

8:30 AM † End to Terrorism in the World

4:00 PM Penance with Fr. Marco Caceres

5:00 PM Eugene Pawlowski, Jr., request of Bart and Ginny DeMato

7:00 PM Nayely Plascencia, request of parents and brother

Sunday, January 20, 2019

8:00 AM Ralph Perone, Sr., request of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wendt

10:00 AM Marian and George Kamienowski, request of Mark Kamienowski

12:00 PM Santo Argueta, request of Luz H. Escobar and Julian Mahecha

† Masses held in the Chapel.



St. Joseph Catholic Church, Bound Brook, NJ

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Reading 1: Isaiah 62:1-5

All shall behold your vindication.

Reading 2: 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

The Spirit distributes gifts to each person.

Gospel: John 2:1-11

Jesus transforms water into wine.

THIS WEEK

Monday, January 14, 2019

7:00-8:15 PM Religious Education in the Community School

7:30-8:30 PM Spanish Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors in the Upper Room

Tuesday, January 15, 2019

4:00-5:15 PM Religious Education in the Community School

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

Wednesday, January 16, 2019

7:00-8:15 PM Religious Education in the Community School

Thursday, January 17, 2019

4:30-5:30 PM Spanish Choir in the Main Church

5:30-6:30 PM Children's Choir in the Main Church

6:30-7:30 PM Bell Choir in the Main Church

7:30-8:30 PM Adult Choir in the Main Church

7:30-9:00 PM Divine Mercy in the Chapel

7:00-8:30 PM Jóvenes Adultos Llamados al Amor de Cristo in the Library

Friday, January 18, 2019

9:30-10:30 AM Holy Hour of Prayer for Priests in the Chapel

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

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

Saturday, January 19, 2019

9:00-11:00 AM Diocesan Retreat for Women of first stage Charismatic Renovation in the Upper Room

5:00-7:00 PM Spanish RICA in the Library

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

Sunday, January 20, 2019

9:15-10:45 Religious Education in the Upper Room

11 AM-1 PM English RCIA in the Library

SUNDAY OFFERING

December 30 Regular Collection.....	\$ 4,898
January 6 Regular Collection	\$ 5,600
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 1,500
Together in Charity.....	\$ 1,238

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

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

RCIA 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@sjcbb.net or for sessions in Spanish, please contact Deacon Edgar Chaves at Deacon.Edgar@sjcbb.net.

FOSTER A CHILD

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen is seeking loving families to foster children of all ages, who have been abused, neglected or have had multiple out of home placements, through its Treatment Family Homes Program, contracted by New Jersey's Department of Children and Families.

For more information about the program, please visit www.ccdom.org or contact Miguelina Nunez at (866) 247-HOME. Or at mnunez@ccdom.org.

KEEP UP WITH BISHOP CHECCHIO



Bishop's schedule, correspondence and more can be found on our diocesan website:

<http://diometuchen.org/bishop>.

Photos from Bishop Checchio's visits around our diocese can be found on our official social media pages.

Facebook: <http://facebook.com/DiocesefMetuchen>.

Twitter: <http://twitter.com/diocesemetuahan>.

Catholic Spirit: <http://www.catholicspirit.com>.

HOW TO REPORT SEXUAL ABUSE

If you were sexually abused as a minor by a member of the clergy or anyone representing the Catholic Church, or you know of someone who was, you are encouraged to report that abuse to law enforcement, through the diocesan website www.diometuchen.org, or by calling the diocesan office of Child and Youth Protection at (732) 562-2413.

SAFE + SOUND SOMERSET



Domestic abuse is a pattern of coercive, controlling behavior that is a pervasive life-threatening crime affecting people in all our communities

regardless of gender, age, sexual orientation, race, ethnicity, religion, social standing and immigration status. Domestic violence takes many forms: physical; emotional; economic; stalking and harassment; and sexual. All of our programs are free of charge, confidential, offered in multiple locations throughout the county, and are available in English and Spanish. If you would like more information about the services we offer or you know someone who could benefit from our services, please call our 24-hour call or text hotline at (866) 685-1122 or email us at info@safe-sound.org.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION

For a truly meaningful New Year's Resolution, one that lasts long after the champagne has lost its fizz, why not resolve to treat each other to a Marriage Encounter Weekend? A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend gives you the time and tools to revitalize romance, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held **January 25-27**. Early registration is advisable as space is limited. Phone (732) 904-9636 for registration and information. Visit us at www.aweekendforyourmarriage.org for more information.



STRESS IN YOUR MARRIAGE?

ANNOUNCING AN UPCOMING WEEKEND FOR COUPLES:
FEBRUARY 8-10, 2019, SOMERSET, NEW JERSEY



Is your marriage going down the right road . . . or is it a little off track? Life can be difficult, and so can the challenges you face in marriage. Does the distance

between you seem wide? Are you already separated? Looking for a better way? Retrouvaille can help and offers hope for a better relationship. Retrouvaille is a peer ministry of volunteer couples that can help you learn the tools of healthy communication, build intimacy and heal, just as they have done in their own marriages. Retrouvaille is Christian-based, and Catholic in origin, but welcomes couples of all faiths as well as non-religious couples. Retrouvaille can help get your relationship back on track.

For more info or registration call Rich Colasuonno (732) 236-0671, Annette Colasuonno (732) 672-0748 or email 3024@retrouvaille.org.

HOLY HOUR OF PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

Come join us in prayer for our priests and priestly vocations this Friday, January 18, from 9:30-10:30 AM in the Chapel. All are welcome.



PRAYER FOR OUR MILITARY

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 these 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.

GIANNA CENTER

The Saint Peter's Gianna Center, located in New Brunswick, NJ is dedicated to offering truly pro-life women's health care, including infertility services, general gynecologic care, and more. All services are provided in accordance with the U.S. Catholic Bishops Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Health Care Services. Please visit <https://www.saintpetershcs.com/Services/Gianna-Center> or contact us at (732) 565-5490.

Parish Giving

St. Joseph Parish now 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.

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.

PURCHASE SHOPRITE GIFT CARDS HELP SUPPORT YOUR PARISH!

ShopRite gift cards are available for purchase following most Masses or in the Parish Office. Simply pay face value to purchase a card. The parish benefits because we are able to purchase the cards at a 5% discount. As a result, without spending anything extra, you make a contribution to St. Joseph Church. The profit generated is used to support the parish. You can buy \$10 or \$50 cards. ShopRite Gift Cards do not expire. Cash or checks are accepted.



2019 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Please pick up your 2019 Offertory envelopes in the Community Room of the Church following mass.



STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"John answered them all, 'I baptize you with water; but he who is mightier than I is coming...he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit...'" (Luke 3:16)

The Catholic Catechism states that *"Jesus' immersion in the water is a sign for all human beings of the need to die in order to do God's will."* In other words, as baptized Catholics there is only one gift that we need to give to Jesus – the gift of ourselves. Surrender yourself to God, place your trust in Him and allow the Holy Spirit to work through you for the greater glory of God.

VOLUNTEER ADVOCATES



Volunteer Advocates are needed for Somerset County Nursing Homes. Trained and certified by the state, Volunteer Advocates

visit residents in nursing homes or other long-term care facilities and establish a regular presence in the facility.

- Listen to residents' concerns
 - Empower residents to speak for themselves
 - Help to resolve problems within the facility
- Becoming a NJ certified Volunteer Advocate is a challenging and rewarding volunteer opportunity for anyone who wants to make a meaningful and lasting difference in the lives of vulnerable senior citizens in their community. Website www.nj.gov/ltco Email volunteer@ltco.nj.gov.

MUSIC MINISTRY

If you would like to sing to the Lord here at Saint Joseph, come! All are welcome. The ability to read music is not a prerequisite, but a definite asset. Rehearsals are on Thursdays.

CHOIR	4:30 PM	Spanish Choir
<i>Practice</i>	5:30 PM	Children's Choir
	6:30 PM	Bell Choir
	7:30 PM	Adult Choir/ Instrumentalists

For more information contact Maritza Alvarez after Masses or e-mail Maritza.Alvarez@sjccb.net.

HEALING AFTER ABORTION

Have you suffered an abortion? Experience God's love and mercy and begin the journey of healing. Please call the Sisters of Life (866) 575-0075 or email hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org. For men, call Theresa Bonopartis at Lumina (877) 586-4621 or email Lumina@postabortionhelp.org

LECTURAS PARA EL PRÓXIMO DOMINGO

SEGUNDO DOMINGO ORDINARIO

Primera Lectura: Isaías 62: 1-5

Las naciones verán tu justicia, y tu gloria todos los reyes.

Segunda Lectura: 1 Corintios 12: 4-11

El Espíritu Santo distribuye a cada uno de nosotros sus dones.

Evangelio Juan 2: 1-11

Jesús transforma el agua en vino.

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

El Grupo de Oración se reúnen todos los viernes de 7:00 a 9:00 PM en la capilla. Tome en cuenta que ya no lo hacen los sábados. Para más información puede contactar a Maribel Alfaro (908) 642-0497, Osvaldo Navarro (732) 208-3856.

¡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

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.sjccb.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@sjccb.net.

El Diácono Edgar Chaves está disponible para las personas adultas que deseen hacer el bautismo, comunión o confirmación. También el 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@sjccb.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 directora 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.

MINISTROS DE LA EUCARISTÍA Y PROCLAMADORES DE LA PALABRA

Mañana lunes 14 de enero a las 7:30 PM en lo alto de la capilla, habrá una reunión para todos los Ministros de la Eucaristía y Proclamadores de la Palabra. Por favor haga planes para asistir a esta reunión, para seguir sirviendo a Dios y a nuestros hermanos en este nuevo año.

REFLEXIÓN

BAUTISMO DEL SEÑOR

"Respondió Juan a todos, diciendo: «Yo os bautizo con agua; pero viene el que es más fuerte que yo, y no soy digno de desatarle la correa de sus sandalias. Él os bautizará en Espíritu Santo y fuego»." (Lucas 3:16)
El Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica afirma que "la inmersión de Jesús en el agua es una señal para todos los seres humanos de la necesidad de morir para hacer la voluntad de Dios". En otras palabras, como católicos bautizados solo hay un regalo que debemos dar a Jesús - el don de nosotros mismos. Ríndete a Dios, deposita tu confianza en Él y permite que el Espíritu Santo trabaje a través de ti para la mayor gloria de Dios.

PREGUNTA DE LA SEMANA

¿Cómo afecta mi bautismo la manera en que vivo?
¿Mi ayuda la oración a guiar mi vida?

FIESTA DEL BAUTISMO DEL SEÑOR

La festividad del Bautismo del Señor, fiesta que se celebra el domingo siguiente a la Epifanía y con la que se cierra el Tiempo de Navidad, comenzando el Tiempo



Ordinario, en que meditamos a Cristo, Salvador del mundo.

El bautismo en el Jordán fue para Jesús dejar la vida silenciosa de Nazaret y el comienzo de su misión mesiánica. Isaías habla del elegido que promoverá el derecho y la justicia, curará y

librará. El "elegido" fue investido como Mesías en las aguas del Jordán donde se escuchó la palabra del Padre. En muy poco tiempo la liturgia nos hace pasar de la cuna a la madurez.

Cristo estuvo preparándose para su misión durante 30 años, una misión que consistió en hacer cercano al hombre el Reino de Dios.

A lo largo de esos años Jesús fue descubriendo su identidad. Para descubrirlo, Jesús siente una llamada especial, es lo que hoy recordamos en la fiesta de su Bautismo.

JÓVENES ADULTOS LLAMADOS AL AMOR DE CRISTO (JALAC)

DE ENTRE 18 A 30 AÑOS

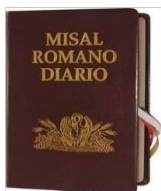
Hoy ha llegado un gran día, para que puedas hacer un cambio en tu vida, ven comparte y aprende a seguir al Señor, como cuando

"Jesús subió a la montaña y llamó a los que él quiso y los que quisieron vinieron junto a él" (Marcos 3:13) Hoy él te llama por tu nombre, ven y descúbrelo.

Objetivo: Encauzar al joven adulto a conocerse y aceptar el llamado de Dios en su proceso de conversión a través de las sagradas escrituras para reafirmar y vivir su fe.

Integrantes de la Directiva: Norberto Lan (732) 215-5643, Armida Bonilla (908) 392-3012, Fausto Flores, Flavio Roja.

INTENCIÓN DE MISA 2019



El libro de intenciones de las Misas para para el 2019 está disponibles. Si usted desea pedir una Misa, por favor pase por la oficina de la parroquia martes, miércoles o jueves de 6:30 a 8:30 PM, hablar con la señora Martha.

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



MARCHA POR LA VIDA 2019

La Marcha por la Vida en Washington, DC. es el viernes, 18 de enero. La marcha es un evento anual desde 1974 para mostrar apoyo a la vida, en el aniversario de la decisión infame sobre el aborto de la Suprema Corte. Por favor visite www.marchforlife.org para obtener información adicional.



SOBRES DE CONTRIBUCIÓN A LA IGLESIA



Los sobres de contribución y asistencia a la Iglesia del 2019 están listos para recogerlos en la Iglesia. Si usted está registrado en

la Parroquia debe tomar los suyos, **tome en cuenta que no los mandaremos por correo.** Las cajas fueron clasificadas en orden de alfabético, por favor venga a levantar los suyos, si no lo encuentra dele el nombre a las personas que estarán ayudando a la entrega, de esa forma será mucho más rápido y seguro que **no se lleve los sobres equivocados.** Gracias por su colaboración.

MINISTERIO DE MÚSICA

Si Dios te ha dado un talento, y puedes cantar o tocar un instrumento musical, ¿no has considerado unirse al Ministerio de Música? Nos encantaría tener nuevos integrantes. Los ensayos son los jueves.

4:30 PM Coro en español

5:30 PM Coro de Niños

6:30 PM Coro de Campanas

7:30 PM Coro de Adultos

Ingles (instrumentistas)

Por favor, póngase en contacto con Maritza Alvarez maritza.alvarez@sjcbb.net.



SEGURO Y A SALVO SOMERSET

El abuso doméstico es un patrón de conducta coercitiva y controladora que es un crimen generalizado y potencialmente mortal que afecta a las personas en todas nuestras comunidades, independientemente del género, la edad, la orientación sexual, la raza, la etnia, la religión, la situación social y el estatus migratorio. La violencia doméstica toma muchas formas: físicas; emocional económico acecho y acoso; y sexual. Todos nuestros programas son gratuitos, confidenciales, ofrecidos en múltiples ubicaciones en todo el condado, y están disponibles en inglés y español. Si desea obtener más información sobre los servicios que ofrecemos o conoce a alguien que pueda beneficiarse de nuestros servicios, llame a nuestra línea de llamadas o mensajes de texto de 24 horas al (866) 685-1122 o envíenos un correo electrónico a info@safe-sound.org.