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Parish Services

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Phone: (732) 356-0027 | Fax: (732) 356-8092

Website: <https://www.sjcbb.net>

Emergencies Only: (732) 356-8936

Parish Office Hours:

Monday through Thursday 9 AM-12 PM and 1:30-4 PM,

Fridays 9 AM-1 PM (closed Fridays in the summer).

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

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.

First Penance, First Eucharist and Confirmation:

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.

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

Devotions

Marian Novena: Saturdays following 8:30 AM Mass in the Chapel.

Eucharistic Adoration: First Friday of the month from 9 AM-12 PM, Benediction in English in the Chapel. Second Friday of the month from 6:30-8:30 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.

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? 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 Days of Obligation. **They will need to obtain a Certificate of Eligibility signed by their pastor.** If you have questions, speak with a parish priest 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

Mrs. Theresa Pasqua, Principal

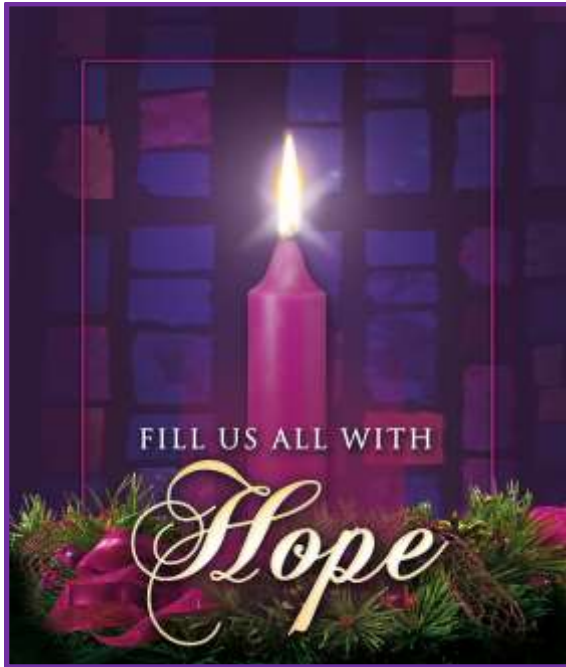
Grades Pre-K through 8

149 S. Plainfield Avenue | S. Plainfield, NJ 07080

(908) 822-5890 | www.holsavioracademy.com

First Sunday of Advent

December 1, 2019



Masses/Penance for the Week

Monday, December 2, 2019

8:30 AM † Parishioners of St. Joseph

Tuesday, December 3, 2019

8:30 AM † Jose Gurrero, request of Gurrero Vargas family

Wednesday, December 4, 2019

8:30 AM † Gilka M. A. Ramos, request of
Laudares Alves Ramos

Thursday, December 5, 2019

8:30 AM † Spiritual Healing of Judy Piotrowski, request
of Kirchman family

Friday, December 6, 2019

8:30 AM † John Bobko, request of Kirchman family

Saturday, December 7, 2019

8:30 AM † Act of Thanks on the 15th Birthday of
Emily Guzman-Reyes, request of parents

5:00 PM Martin Dolinsky, Jr., request of wife,
Mary Ann

7:00 PM Guadalupe Herrera, request of Reyes family

Sunday, December 8, 2019

8:00 AM Kathleen Lynch, request of Michael and
Joan Jenkoski

10:00 AM Birthday of Luz Helena, request of
Julian Mahecha

12:00 PM Carmen Ortiz, request of Navarro Quiros
family

† Masses celebrated in the Chapel.

Next Sunday's Readings

Second Sunday of Advent

Reading 1: Isaiah 11:1-10

The wolf shall be a guest of the lamb.

Reading 2: Romans 15:4-9

God, the source of patience, enables us to
live in harmony.

Gospel: Matthew 3:1-12

Prepare the way of the Lord!

This Week

Monday, December 2, 2019

7:00-8:15 PM Religious Education (Community School)

Tuesday, December 3, 2019

4:00-5:15 PM Religious Education (Community School)

7:00-9:00 PM Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena (Chapel)

Wednesday, December 4, 2019

7:00-8:15 PM Religious Education (Community School)

7:00-8:00 PM Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena (Chapel)

7:00-8:00 PM Bible Study (Upper Room)

Thursday, December 5, 2019

4:30-8:30 PM Choir Practice (Main Church)

7:00-8:30 PM Jóvenes Adultos Llamados al Amor
de Cristo (Library)

7:00-8:00 PM Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena (Chapel)

Friday, December 6, 2019

9 AM-12 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
in the Chapel of the Nativity

12:00 PM Benediction in English

6:00-8:00 PM Youth Group (Upper Room)

7:00-8:00 PM Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena (Chapel)

Saturday, December 7, 2019

9 AM - 4 PM Spanish Prayer Group Retreat
(Upper Room)

5:00-6:30 PM Rito de Iniciación Cristiana de los
Adultos (Upper Room)

8:00-9:00 PM Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena
(Main Church)

Sunday, December 8, 2019

9:30 AM-12 PM Sacrament Prep I and II (Upper Room)

2:00-4:30 PM CPR Training (Upper Room)

7:00-8:00 PM Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena (Chapel)

Stewardship Reflection

1st Sunday of Advent

*"Therefore, stay awake! For you do not know on which
day your Lord will come." (Matthew 24:42)*

People who have had health issues or near-death experiences generally have a greater appreciation for each day being a gift from God. The rest of us usually take for granted that we will be around tomorrow. But when you start to look at each day as a gift, you realize all the little miracles that happen daily and grow in gratitude for all that we have been given. You begin to see God's active presence in your life.

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.

CPR/AED Training

This 2½ hour class teaches Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR), the use of an Automated External Defibrillator (AED), and relief of Foreign Body Airway Obstruction (FBAO) for adult, child and infant victims. Upon successful completion of this course, you will receive an American Safety and Health Institute (ASHI) certification card valid for two years. Class will be instructed by Dave Cozza, a certified CPR instructor.

This training is being offered at no charge to St. Joseph parishioners. A collection will be taken up and all donations will go to the church. Training is for individuals ages 15 and up. Space is limited and registration is required. Registration will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.

Dates: Sunday, December 8 in Spanish
(RSVP by December 4)

Sunday, December 15 in English
(RSVP by December 11)

Time: 2:00 PM

Place: Upper Room of the Parish Center
124 East Second Street, Bound Brook

Registration required! Register by emailing St.Joseph.Parish@sjcbb.net with your name, phone number, and date of training.

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

The Feast of the Immaculate Conception will be celebrated on Monday, December 9, 2019 at 8:30 AM 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.



Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Thank you for your generous support last week for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development! As a parish, we raised funds to support those who live on the margins and in poverty in the United States. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Visit www.uscbb.org/nationalcollections, and click on "How to Give" on the left.

Retirement Fund for Religious

Give in thanksgiving.

"The nuns left lasting impressions on me," writes a donor. "I shall always be grateful for my Catholic education."

Please join in thanking the thousands of senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who worked tirelessly to educate the young and serve those in need. Next week's second collection is for the Retirement Fund for Religious which helps hundreds of religious communities care for aging members. Please give generously.



Church Women United - World Community Day The Time is Now! "Resolve to Love"

You are invited!

Date: Friday, December 6, 2019 **Time:** 11:00 AM

Location: Reformed Church of Bound Brook
Main and Clinton Streets, South Bound Brook, NJ 08880
For more info contact Joan Jenkoski (732) 469-5425

Refreshments will be served after service.

NJ Independent Victim Compensation Program

The Diocese of Metuchen, along with the four other Roman Catholic Dioceses in New Jersey, established an Independent Victim Compensation Program (IVCP) to compensate those who, as children or young adults, were sexually abused by a priest or deacon of the Diocese. The IVCP opened to claims on June 15 and will conclude on December 31, 2019. All individual claims must be submitted during this period.

The IVCP operates independently of the Diocese or any church-affiliated institution, and the administrators of the IVCP have complete autonomy to determine the eligibility of a claim within the guidelines of the established Protocol. The amount of compensation for those who make a claim will be independently determined by the IVCP administrators.

All victims – no matter when the abuse occurred – are eligible to participate, and all matters will be handled confidentially. Victims of clergy sexual abuse of a minor can begin the process of utilizing the program by going to www.njdiocesesivcp.com and reviewing the protocol for submitting a claim. Anyone who has been the victim of sexual abuse by a priest of the Diocese is encouraged to participate in the IVCP.

Rosary Altar Society Christmas Cookie Sale

The Rosary Altar Society's annual Christmas Cookie Sale will take place on the weekend of **December 14-15** in the Community Room of the church. Cookies will be on sale before and after the Saturday evening and Sunday morning masses.



If there are any bakers in our parish community who would like to bake and donate cookies for the sale, it would be greatly appreciated. We could use your help! Cookies should be dropped off at 3:00 PM on Saturday, December 14 in the Community Room.

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.

	4:30 PM	Spanish Choir
	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@sjcbb.net.

Jesse Tree

As part of our preparation for Christmas and as a parish family, this year we will again have the annual Jesse Tree. The tree will be in the Narthex of the Church beginning November 23rd and 24th. Tree tags contain a gift suggestion (please, new items only; no toy guns or items which require batteries). All gifts should be returned back to the Jesse Tree during the weekend of December 14th and 15th with the Jesse Tree tag taped to the box so they can be distributed to needy families. **Please do not wrap the gift, since it will have to be reopened for distribution.** Monetary donations are also welcome to purchase shoes and winter coats. Please make your check payable to "Food Bank Network of Somerset County." If you know of families in need, please notify the parish office. Thanks to all those who participate.



The Orchestra of St. Peter by the Sea Christmas Concert

Incredible musicians, outstanding vocalists, marvelous conductor, great seats, great prices.

Date: Sunday, December 1 **Time:** 3:00 PM

Location: Church of the Sacred Heart
149 South Plainfield Avenue, South Plainfield, NJ

Cost: General \$30 | Seniors \$25 | Students \$15

For information or to purchase tickets call (908) 756-0633 x110, (732) 549-9633, (908) 757-7298 or (732) 742-5034.



Eucharistic Adoration

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held on the first Friday of the month, December 6, at 9:00 AM in the Chapel of the Nativity. The day will conclude at 12:00 PM with Prayer and Benediction in English. Come and rest in the presence of Jesus.



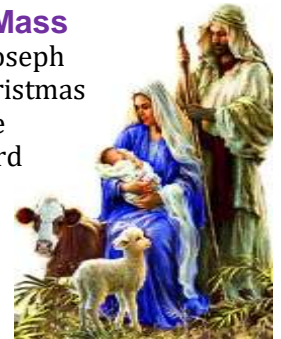
Attention Youth!



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.

Christmas Eve Children's Mass

As has been our tradition at St. Joseph Church, the 5:00 PM Mass on Christmas Eve will be a Children's Mass. We encourage children to make a card for Baby Jesus and bring it with them to this Mass.



This year during Mass, we will have children take part in a Nativity Pageant. They will be dressed in simple costumes and reenact the story of the Nativity with a narrator. Our children's choir will join with Christmas carols and when the pageant is finished, children will go sit with their families and Mass will continue.

If your family will be attending the **5:00 PM Mass on Christmas Eve** and you would like your child to participate in the pageant, please fill out the form below and send it back to the religious education office by **December 6**. Only children that have returned a completed Permission Slip will be able to be able to be part of the program.

There will be **three mandatory rehearsals**, all at the Main Church.

- Friday, December 13 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM
- Thursday, December 19 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM
- Friday, December 20 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Costumes will be provided. We are looking for your help with the costumes. If you have a white communion robe you could donate, it would be greatly appreciated.

Christmas Eve Christmas Pageant

Child's Name: _____

Parent's Name: _____

Best Phone # to Reach Parent: _____

Parent's Signature: _____

Lecturas Para el Próximo Domingo

Segundo Domingo de Adviento

Primera Lectura: Isaías 11: 1- 10

Habitará el lobo con el cordero.

Segunda Lectura: Romanos 15: 4-9

Dios, fuente de toda paciencia, les conceda a ustedes vivir en armonía.

Evangelio: Mateo 3:1-12

Preparen el camino del Señor.

Avisos a la Comunidad

Confesiones

Las confesiones se realizan en inglés y español:

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

7 de diciembre - Fr. John Pringle (ingles)

14 de diciembre - Fr. Marco Cáceres (inglés-español)

Para confesarse en otro momento debe hacer una cita previa llamando al (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. 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 a nosotros para compartir juntos el amor que

Jesús tiene para nosotros a través del culto, la construcción de la fe, de la comunidad divulgación, y la diversión. Únete a nosotros los viernes de 7:00-9:00 PM en lo alto del centro parroquial, para más información puedes llamar al (732) 469-5775. ¡No te olvides de traer a un amigo!



Intenciones de Oraciones del Santo Padre Diciembre

Universal: Para que todos los países decidan tomar las medidas necesarias para hacer que el futuro de los más jóvenes sea una prioridad, especialmente de aquellos que están sufriendo.

Rosario a La Virgen María

A partir del martes 3 de diciembre se inicia la novena de la Virgen María Madre de Dios y Madre nuestra bajo la advocación de Guadalupe. La novena se hará en la capilla a las 7:00 PM.



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.

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 contacte al diácono en su correo 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. Todos los martes y jueves de 6:30 a 8:30 PM y vía telefónica llamando al (732) 356-0027 ext.15.

Ana Valencia la directora del programa de Educación Religiosa (CCD) estará todos los martes de 6:30 a 8:30 PM en la oficina Parroquial, para las personas que necesiten consultar sobre sus niños por la Educación Religiosa.

Rito de Iniciación Cristiana de los Adultos

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 o para sesiones en español, comuníquese con diácono Edgar Chaves a Deacon.Edgar@sjcbb.net, o ir en persona a la oficina Parroquial martes o jueves de 6:30 a 8:30 PM. **Las clases en español son los sábados a las 5:00 PM en el centro parroquial.**



Adviento



El **primer domingo de adviento** se refiere al primer domingo del periodo del **año litúrgico cristiano**, en latín: “**Adventus Redemptoris**” el cual quiere decir “**Venida del Redentor**”. Este periodo de tiempo está dado para **preparar el espíritu** para la llegada del **Nacimiento de Cristo**, la extensión de este periodo varía de entre 21 a 28 días, ya que comprende los 4 domingos anteriores a **Navidad**.

Fiesta de La Virgen de Guadalupe

Como todos los años estamos planeando la celebración de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe Emperatriz de América, para el **11 de diciembre**. Como para todo evento necesitamos de la colaboración de nuestros feligreses, si usted puede ayudar a la preparación de este evento por favor póngase en contacto con Gladys Acevedo al (732) 829-3556 o Maydaly Ramírez al (732) 207-9323. Contamos con su participación para la "Fiesta de Nuestra Madre la Virgen de Guadalupe".



Reflexión - 1er domingo de Adviento

"¡Por lo tanto, mantente despierto! Porque no sabes en qué día vendrá tu Señor." (MATEO 24:42)

Las personas que han tenido problemas de salud o experiencias cercanas a la muerte generalmente aprecian más cada día por ser un regalo de Dios. El resto de nosotros usualmente damos por sentado que estaremos aquí mañana. Pero cuando comienzas a ver cada día como un regalo, te das cuenta de todos los pequeños milagros que suceden a diario y creces en gratitud por todo lo que se nos ha dado. Empiezas a ver la presencia activa de Dios en tu vida.

Árbol de Navidad

Como parte de nuestra preparación para la Navidad como familia parroquial, está el árbol de Navidad con los ornamentos de papel, cuales tienen escrito nombres de regalo (por favor deben ser nuevos, no revolver de juguete ni juguetes que necesiten baterías). Tome uno y traiga el regalo con el ornamento de papel pegado a la caja, **por favor no lo envuelva, para mejor distribución**. También son bienvenidas donaciones monetarias para compra de zapatos y abrigos; por favor haga el cheque a "**Food Bank Network of Somerset Country**" Debe de traer el regalo hasta el fin de semana del 14 y 15 de diciembre, para que estos regalos sean distribuidos a familias necesitadas esta Navidad. Si usted conoce de familias necesitadas, por favor infórmelo a la oficina parroquial. Muchas gracias por su participación.



Jóvenes Adultos Llamados al Amor de Cristo 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. Para más información contactar a: Norberto Lan, (732) 215-5643, Armida Bonilla (908) 392-3012, Fausto Flores.



CPR Entrenamiento

Salve una vida, estará contento de haberlo hecho. Esta clase de 2 a 2 ½ horas enseña reanimación cardiopulmonar (CPR). El uso de un desfibrilador externo automático (AED) y alivio del cuerpo extraño obstrucción de la vía aérea (FBAO) para víctimas adultas, infantes y lactantes. Después de la exitosa finalización de este curso, recibirá una tarjeta del American Safety and Health Institute ASHI para víctimas de todas las edades válida por dos años. La clase será instruida por Dave Cozza, un inscripto de CPR certificado con ASHI.

Esta capacitación se ofrece sin costo para los feligreses de St. Joseph. Se tomará donación voluntaria y la colecta queda para la iglesia. El entrenamiento es para personas mayores de 15 años.

Día: Domingo 8 de diciembre, en español (responder antes de diciembre 4)

Domingo 15 de diciembre, en Ingles (responder antes de noviembre 11)

Hora: 2:00 PM

Lugar: En lo alto del centro parroquial (Capilla)

Responder a: Por e-mail a St.Joseph.Parish@sjcbb.net.

Natividad en Nochebuena

Este año, durante esta Misa, niños participaran en una representación de la Natividad. Se vestirán con trajes sencillos y recrearán la historia de la Natividad con un narrador. El coro de nuestros niños se unirá con villancicos navideños y cuando termine la representación, los niños se sentarán con sus familias y la Misa continuará.



Si su familia asistirá a la **Misa de las 5:00 PM en Nochebuena** y desea que su hijo participe en esta representación, complete el formulario abajo y regrese a la oficina parroquial antes del **6 de diciembre**. Solo los niños que hayan devuelto el permiso completo de abajo podran ser parte del programa.

Habrán **3 ensayos obligatorios**, todos en la Iglesia Principal:

- Viernes 13 de diciembre 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM
- Jueves 19 de diciembre 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM
- Viernes 20 de diciembre 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Se proporcionarán disfraces. Estamos buscando ayuda con los disfraces. Si tiene una túnica de comunión blanca que podría donar, sería muy apreciada.

Esperamos que este programa mejore nuestra Liturgia Navideña de niños.

Natividad en Nochebuena

Nombre de Niño/a: _____

Nombre de Padre: _____

Mejor # de telefono para contactarlo: _____

Firma de Padre: _____