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Parish Services

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

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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

Penance: Saturday from 4:00 - 4:45 PM in the Main Church. Other times on request.

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.holysavioracademy.com

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

December 29, 2019



Masses/Penance for the Week

Monday, December 30, 2019

8:30 AM † Tony Johnsen, request of Gloria Villamil and family

Tuesday, December 31, 2019

No Daily Mass

5:00 PM Rose Ianniello, request of Ryan and Rich Gardner

7:00 PM Parishioners of St. Joseph

Wednesday, January 1, 2020

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

10:00 AM Cecilia Newton, request of Associates at Bed, Bath & Beyond

12:00 PM Claris Vargar, request of Leda Mora and family

Thursday, January 2, 2020

8:30 AM † Gale Patullo, request of Gloria Villamil

Friday, January 3, 2020

8:30 AM † Robert C. Yurek, request of Joni, Joe and Rosemary

Saturday, January 4, 2020

8:30 AM † Carolyn Goff, request of Mary Patten

4:00 PM Penance

5:00 PM Helen Zielinski, request of Riccioli family

7:00 PM Rosa Emilia Porras, request of Alfaro family

Sunday, January 5, 2020

8:00 AM Paul F. Cecchini, request of Cecchini family

10:00 AM Louis Yannetta, request of wife, Maria Yannetta

12:00 PM Mario Mora, request of Leda Mora and family

† Masses celebrated in the Chapel.

Next Sunday's Readings

Epiphany of the Lord

Reading 1: Isaiah 60:1-6

The glory of the Lord shines on all people.

Reading 2: Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

The Gentiles are coheirs of the promise.

Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

They presented gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

This Week

Thursday, January 2, 2020

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

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

Friday, January 3, 2020

9:00 AM-12:00 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament followed by Benediction in English (Chapel)

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

7:00-9:00 PM Spanish Prayer Group (Chapel)

Saturday, January 4, 2020

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



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.

Prayer for Victims of Terrorism

Loving God, Welcome into your arms the victims of violence and terrorism. Comfort their families and all who grieve for them. Help us in our fear and uncertainty, and bless us with the knowledge that we are secure in your love. Strengthen all those who work for peace, and may the peace the world cannot give reign in our hearts.



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.



St. Joseph Catholic Church, Bound Brook

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.

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.

Stewardship Reflection

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

"Wives, be subordinate to your husbands...Husbands, love your wives...Children, obey your parents in everything...Fathers, do not provoke your children..."
(Colossians 3:18-21)

Pope Francis said that families, through their life of prayer and love, become "schools of true human growth." Being credible witnesses of Christian love, especially that of family members, exerts the most positive influence on our children. We are all children of God, let us pray and love each other as God, Our Father, does for us.

Bus Trip to the Rally for Life in Trenton

Wednesday, January 22, 2020

The Diocese of Metuchen's Office of Human Life and Dignity will be running a bus trip to the Rally for Life in Trenton, NJ on Wednesday, January 22, 2020. The bus ride is free of charge, but since space is limited all passengers must reserve their seats. Passengers will board the bus at the Diocesan Center in Piscataway at 9:30 AM. The rally at the State House begins at 11:00 AM and ends at 1:00 PM. Passengers will attend a small reception afterwards. The bus will bring everyone back to the Diocesan Center around 3:00 PM. If you have any questions or would like to reserve a seat please email amarshall@diometuchen.org or call (732) 562-1543.

Sunday Offering

December 15th Regular Collection	\$4,639
Our Lady of Guadalupe	\$778
Christmas Flowers	\$1,539

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

New Year's Resolutions for Catholics

There are countless spiritual resolutions to make for the new year, but picking just one or two is ideal so that you don't become overwhelmed or start to feel like a failure if you miss them once or twice. Just remember to keep it simple at first, and as your resolutions turn into habits, you can add more.

Go to confession - Find out when confession is offered at your parish or another local parish. Put it on your calendar for bimonthly, once a month, every other month — whatever schedule will best ensure that you go to confession on a regular basis. If you're nervous, remember that your priest has likely heard it all in confessions over the years and there are apps to help you get through it. [Laudate](#) is a great one.

Set a time each day to pray - Start small. If you haven't been praying daily at all, set aside just five minutes during your favorite part of the day. In the mornings you can say a prayer to start your day. At 3 o'clock you can try the Divine Mercy Chaplet. And of course, if you aren't praying the rosary daily, you can add those 15 minutes in during your day.

Celebrate feast days with the children - Take a look at a Catholic calendar and find some feast days to celebrate with your children. Start with your patron saints and find ways to make it fun for your children to learn about these saints. Websites like [CatholicLiving.com](#) offer great ideas from activities to recipes that bring Catholic saints to life for children.

Attend Daily Mass - Daily Mass can be tricky when you work or have small children, but if you search you may be able to find a daily Mass that can work for you. While you likely won't be able to attend each day, you can put it on your calendar for once a month or once a week and make an effort to go.

Bring a friend to Sunday Mass - Whether the person is a former Catholic, a Catholic who has strayed, or someone who has never been to Catholic Mass or any church service whatsoever, it is an important part of being Catholic to evangelize. Helping someone to see the beauty of the Catholic faith can help reignite your own faith and remind you of why you are Catholic.

Renew your baptismal vows - Kick off the new year by renewing your baptismal promises with your family. It's easy, you can do it within your own home, and it will remind you of what it is to be a Catholic. It might just be the boost you need to be a more spiritual person in 2020. (Source: [catholicdigest.com](#))

Religious Education Educación Religiosa



Christmas Break: Religious Education classes will be on Christmas break through the new year. Classes resume the week of January 5, 2020.

Inclement Weather: If CCD classes are cancelled due to inclement weather, we will publish it on our website www.sjccb.net. If the Bound Brook school district is closed due to a weather emergency, religious education classes will be cancelled.

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 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.

Bereavement Support Program

A bereavement support program of five meetings will begin on Tuesday, January 14, 2020 at 7:00 PM at St. Thomas the Apostle in Old Bridge in the Parish Hall. The meetings will continue on Tuesdays, January 21, February 11 and 25, and March 10. The program is offered as a support for all persons who have recently lost a loved one and are struggling with the mourning process. For more information, please call Deacon Pat at (732) 251-4000 ext. 8218. **Registration is required. No walk-ins.**

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God Holy Day of Obligation



Tuesday, December 31, 2020

No Daily Mass

5:00 PM English Vigil Mass

7:00 PM Spanish Vigil Mass

Tuesday, January 1, 2019

10:00 AM English Mass

12:00 PM Spanish Mass

All Masses in the Main Church

Rosary Altar Society - Thank You!

The membership of the Rosary Altar Society would like to extend a sincere "Thank You" to all those who helped make our Christmas Cookie Sale such a big success!

The generosity of all those who baked and donated cookies, those who purchased them, and those who made monetary donations is greatly appreciated! An especially warm "Thank You" goes out to those who helped sell our cookies.

Without your support we wouldn't be able to continue our work at St. Joseph parish.

A Happy and Healthy New Year to all!

Nativity Scene

Thank you to **Gerry Yuknis** for building the lovely manger outside the entrance to the Church. Gerry has previously contributed his carpentry skills to the construction of the Christmas scene inside the Church.

Thanks Gerry!

Fr. John Pringle



Question of the Week

Is there someone I know who is vulnerable because they have no family to rely on? What can I do for them?

Eucharistic Adoration



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held on the second Friday of the month, January 3, 2020 from 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM 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.



Lecturas Para el Próximo Domingo

Epifanía del Señor

Primera Lectura: Isaías 60:1-6

La gloria del Señor resplandece sobre toda la gente.

Segunda Lectura: Efesios 3:2-3a, 5-6

Por revelación se me dio a conocer este misterio.

Evangelio: Mateo 2:1-12

Le ofrecieron regalos, oro, incienso y mirra.

Avisos a la Comunidad

Confesiones

Las confesiones se realizan en inglés y español:

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

4 de enero, 2020 – Fr. John Pringle (inglés)

11 de enero, 2020 – Fr. Marco Cáceres (español-inglés)

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

Tome Nota: el grupo de la Divina Misericordia reanudará las reuniones el jueves 2 de enero 2020 a las 7:00 PM en la Capilla. 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!



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 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@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. 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@sjccb.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.

Santísimo



Adoración del Santísimo Sacramento se llevará a cabo el primer viernes del mes, enero 3 en la Capilla de la Natividad después de la misa de 8:30 AM. La jornada concluirá con la oración y bendición a las 12:00 PM en Inglés.

Venga a descansar en la presencia de Jesús.

Educación Religiosa Religious Education



No habrá clases de Educación Religiosa hasta el 1º de enero de 2020. Las clases se reanudarán la semana del 5 de enero de 2020. ¡Feliz Navidad y Feliz Año Nuevo!

Solemnidad de Santa María, Madre de Dios Todas las Misa en la Iglesia Principal



Martes, 31 de diciembre, 2019

No hay Misa de la mañana

5:00 PM Misa (Inglés)

7:00 PM Misa (Español)

Miércoles, 1 de enero, 2020

10:00 AM Misa (Inglés)

12:00 PM Misa (Español)

Reflexión

La Sagrada Familia de Jesús, María y José

"Esposas, subordinense a sus esposos ... Esposos, amen a sus esposas ... Hijos, obedezcan a sus padres en todo ... Padres, no provoquen a sus hijos ..."

(COLOSENSES 3: 18-21)

El Papa Francisco dijo que las familias, a través de su vida de oración y amor, se convierten en "escuelas de verdadero crecimiento humano". Ser testigos creíbles del amor cristiano, especialmente el de los miembros de la familia, ejerce la influencia más positiva en nuestros hijos. Todos somos hijos de Dios, recemos y amémonos unos a otros como Dios, Nuestro Padre, lo hace por nosotros.

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.

Para más información contactar a: Norberto Lan (732) 215-5643, Armida Bonilla (908) 392-3012, Fausto Flores.



Bautismos

Los bautismos se realizan el primer y tercer domingo de cada mes a la 1:30 PM. Si usted quiere bautizar a su hijo/a en el mes de **febrero, debe registrarse para la próxima clase de bautismo del 7 de enero 2020, a las 7:15 PM.** Planifique con tiempo el bautismo, las clases son cada dos meses y si no asiste a la clase no puede bautizar al bebé. Para más información, por favor ir personalmente los martes o jueves a la oficina Parroquial (donde está la Capilla) de 6:30 a 8:30 PM.



Compra Tarjetas de Regalo de Shoprite



¡Ayuda a tu Parroquia!

Las tarjetas de regalo de ShopRite están disponibles para la compra después de la mayoría de las Misas o en la oficina parroquial. Simplemente pague el valor nominal para comprar una tarjeta. Los beneficios de la parroquia es que compramos las tarjetas con un descuento del 5%. Como resultado, sin gastar nada extra usted hace una contribución a la iglesia de San José. El beneficio generado se utiliza para apoyar a la parroquia. Usted puede comprar tarjetas de \$10 o \$50. Las tarjetas de regalo de ShopRite no caducan. Se aceptan efectivos o cheques.

Pregunta de la Semana

¿Hay alguien que conozco, que está en una condición vulnerable debido a que no tiene una familia en quien apoyarse? ¿Qué puedo hacer por ellos?

Consejería Sobre Drogadicción

Caridades Católicas de la diócesis de Metuchen está ofreciendo servicios de consejería y bienestar. Si usted o alguien que usted conoce necesita asesoría o se ve afectado por la adicción, podemos ayudarlo. Se ofrece terapia individual y familiar para niños y adultos. Para una cita llamar al (800) 655-9491.



Feliz Año Nuevo

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