

February 2, 2020

*“For my eyes have seen your salvation,
which you prepared in sight of all people.”*

Luke: 2:30-31



St. Joseph Church

P.O. Box 72, Bound Brook, NJ 08805

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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 Presentation of The Lord

February 2, 2020



Masses/Penance for the Week

Monday, February 3, 2020

8:30 AM † World Peace

Tuesday, February 4, 2020

8:30 AM † Dolores Pilato, request of Louis and Elaine Pilato

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

8:30 AM † Parishioners of St. Joseph

Thursday, February 6, 2020

8:30 AM † Gale Patullo, request of Irene and John Gyori

Friday, February 7, 2020

8:30 AM † Catherine Richards, request of Diane Ritchie

Saturday, February 8, 2020

8:30 AM † Dick Sperduto, request of wife, Dee Sperduto

4:00 PM Penance

5:00 PM Leonard Zielinski, request of Riccioli family

7:00 PM Idalid and Ernesto Martinez, request of Julian and Luz Helena

Sunday, February 9, 2020

8:00 AM Joan Thaler, request of Kathy and Alan Happel

10:00 AM Catherine Richards, request of Diane Ritchie

12:00 PM Araceli Navarro, request of Navarro family

† Masses celebrated in the Chapel.



St. Joseph Catholic Church, Bound Brook

This Week's Readings

February 3 - 9, 2020

Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30 | Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3 | Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17 | Mk 6:1-6

Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12 | Mk 6:7-13

Friday: Sir 47:2-11 | Mk 6:14-29

Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13 | Mk 6:30-34

Sunday: Is 58:7-10 | 1 Cor 2:1-5 | Mt 5:13-16

This Week

Monday, February 3, 2020

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

Tuesday, February 4, 2020

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

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

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

7:00-8:30 PM Bible Study (Upper Room)

Thursday, February 6, 2020

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

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

7:00-9:00 PM Divine Mercy (Chapel)

Friday, February 7, 2020

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

6:00-8:00 PM Sacrament Retreat for First Eucharist Students (Main Church)

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

Saturday, February 8, 2020

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

Sunday, February 9, 2020

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

5:00-7:00 PM Spanish Ushers (Upper Room)

2020 Offertory Envelopes

Please pick up your 2020 offertory envelopes in the narthex of the Church following mass.



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.

Today's Readings

The Presentation of the Lord

Reading I: Malachi 3: 1-4

The "messenger," (which is what "Malachi" means in English), speaks in the fourth of six oracles about the coming of the Lord to the Temple, and what it will mean. There will be future judgment that will result in a purification of the people.

Reading II: Hebrews 2: 14-18

A convincing reason for Jesus to share in our human nature was that by experiencing suffering and death He was able to destroy the devil and free us from the slavery involved in fearing death.

The Gospel: Luke 2: 22-40, or 2: 22-32

Luke lets us "meet" two holy people, "senior citizens" if you will, whose lives were centered around the Temple: Simeon and Anna. Simeon's request to live to see the Messiah was answered on the day of Jesus' presentation, and so he can recite his "Nunc Dimittis," i.e. "Now you may dismiss your servant." Meanwhile the holy widow Anna speaks about this Child, Jesus, as the personification of Israel's hope.

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.

Stewardship Reflection

February 2, 2020 - The Presentation of the Lord

"...they took him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord..." LUKE 2:22

How seriously do you take being a Catholic? Is "being Catholic" something I just do when I attend Sunday Mass or attend one of my parish functions? It's easy to be Catholic then, it's harder to be Catholic when I am out in the world. Would someone recognize you as a Catholic by the way you act, dress and talk? How do you present yourself to the Lord and to others?

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.

Catholic School 2020-2021 Tuition Assistance Online Application Process Open

Families interested in applying for tuition assistance to attend an eligible Diocese of Metuchen elementary or high school may apply online now through FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment at <https://online.factsmtg.com/aid>. Online applications must be completed (including all required documentation) by no later than March 31, 2020. Applications are available in English and Spanish. Families that need assistance completing the online application or need access to a computer to apply should contact their school.

Volunteer Mentors

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

- Have a minimum of three hours per week to offer a child?
- Like having fun?
- Reside in or near Middlesex County or Franklin Township?
- Want to make a difference in a child's life?
- Enjoy being a positive role model?

Contact Jeanette Cullen at (732) 738-1323 or jcullen@ccdeom.org for more information.



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.

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.

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.

Religious Education Educación Religiosa



Sacrament Retreat: A Sacrament Retreat for First Eucharist Students will be held on Friday, February 7th from 6:00-8:00 PM in the Main Church.

Inclement Weather: If CCD classes are cancelled due to inclement weather, we will publish it on our website www.sicbb.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.

World Youth Day in Metuchen

Saturday, February 8, 2020

Calling all youth! You're invited to spend the day celebrating God's love for you with your peers at the Diocesan Youth Day. The Diocese of Metuchen's Office of Youth Ministry will host a Youth Day on Saturday, February 8, 2020 from 1:30 to 7:30 PM at St. Joseph High School, 145 Plainfield Avenue, Metuchen, NJ 08840. Bishop James F. Checchio will preside at a Mass. Join us for this fun-filled day of food, music, prayer and reflection. All 7th - 12th graders are invited to come with their parish! The deadline to register is February 1, 2020. The cost to attend is \$20. For more information, please visit <https://diometuchen.org>.

Eucharistic Adoration

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held on the first Friday of the month, February 7, from 9:30 AM until 12:00 PM in the Chapel of the Nativity.

The day will conclude with Prayer and Benediction in English. Come and rest in the presence of Jesus.



Question of the Week

Whom do I ignore without even considering that they may be speaking the truth? How can I be more open and attentive to other people's voices?

Donate your Car to Catholic Charities

Funds from the sale of donated vehicles support our programs for the poor in need across Middlesex, Somerset, Hunterdon and Warren counties. Donated vehicles are tax deductible. Free pick-up is available. Vehicles do not need to be running. Visit www.ccdom.org/cars or call (877) 999-8322.

Sunday Offering

January 26th Regular Collection \$5,081

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

We Stand with Bound Brook!

Please join us for a benefit event featuring music and dance honoring the efforts of our first responders who protect us every day against dangers of all types.

When: Saturday, February 8, 2020

Time: 4:00 - 6:00 PM

Where: Brook Arts Center,
10 Hamilton Street
Bound Brook, NJ

Advance tickets available at brookarts.org.



Performers include **Second Wind, NJ**, comprised of members of our church choir, dancers, and other bands to be announced. Come and show your appreciation for first responders who put their lives on the line to safeguard our town. Admission is \$10 and all proceeds benefit fire relief efforts!

Families Affected by Mental Health Issues

A Catholic prayer and support group for families affected by mental health issues will take place at St. Patrick's Church in Belvidere, NJ on the **first Wednesday** of the month. Elaine Eckard, President of the Warren County Chapter of the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI), the nation's largest grassroots organization on mental illness, will serve as the facilitator. It is our hope that our newly formed support group will offer spiritual support and many beneficial tips on how to cope with this health issue that continues to be misunderstood in our culture. For more information, please call our Diocesan Office for Persons with Disabilities (732) 765-6432 or email catholicswithdisabilities@gmail.com.

Purchase ShopRite Gift Cards Help Support Your Parish!

ShopRite gift cards are available for purchase **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.



Lecturas Para el Próximo Domingo

Quinto Domingo Ordinario

Primera Lectura: Isaías 58: 7-10

Cuando compartas tu pan con el hambriento, brillará tu luz en las tinieblas.

Segunda Lectura: 1 Corintios 2: 1 - 5

El mensaje de Pablo no fue con su sabiduría, por medio de poder del Espíritu.

Evangelio Mateo 5: 13- 16

Ustedes son la sal de la tierra y la luz del mundo.

Avisos a la Comunidad

Confesiones

Las confesiones se realizan en inglés y español:

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

8 de febrero - Fr. Marco Cáceres (inglés - español)

15 de febrero - Fr. John Pringle (inglés)

22 de febrero - Fr. Marco Cáceres (inglés - español)

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. 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 unirte 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!



Pregunta de la Semana

¿A quiénes ignoro sin siquiera considerar que pudieran estar diciendo la verdad? ¿Cómo puedo demostrar más apertura y poner más atención a las voces de otras personas?

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 el está a cargo de la Divina Misericordia y los ensayos de matrimonio en español, si desea más información contacte al diacono 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 diacono Edgar Chaves a Deacon.Edgar@sjcbb.net.



Sobres de Contribución a la Iglesia



Los sobres de contribución y asistencia a la Iglesia del 2020 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. **Controle que sus datos estén correctos no se lleve los sobres equivocado, si no los encuentra por favor comuníquese a Martha o pase por la oficina parroquial**. Gracias por su colaboración.

Bautismo



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 abril o mayo debe registrarse para la próxima clase de bautismo del 3 de marzo 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.

Encuentro Matrimonial Mundial Cena y Baile de Gala de los Enamorados

Anticipando el Día de San Valentín, el sábado 8 de febrero, 2020 habrá una Cena y Baile de Gala de los Enamorados en el Restaurante La Fortuna, en el 430 Kamena Street, Farview NJ. Todas las parejas interesadas en asistir deben comprar sus boletos con anticipación (no se venderán en la puerta ese día), pueden llamar para más información al (732) 910-3057.



Celebren el Amor de Esposos Renovando sus Votos Matrimoniales



Parroquia St. Joseph
Bound Brook, NJ
Febrero 22, 2020
7:00 PM
Aspacia: Oficina de
Evangelización Hispana
Diócesis de Metuchen

Se entregará certificado a las parejas que envíen sus nombres al correo electrónico lescobar@diometuchen.org antes del 19 de febrero de 2020.

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 descúbrela.

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



Intenciones de Oración del Santo Padre para el Año 2020

Febrero

Intención de oración universal -

Escuchar los gritos de los migrantes

Recemos para que el clamor de los hermanos migrantes víctimas del tráfico criminal sea escuchado y considerado.

Película Pro-Vida "Unplanned" en Español

La Diócesis de Metuchen te invita a ver la película "No planeado", para conocer la verdadera cara del aborto, las consecuencias del aborto, y el poder de la oración y la sanación.

Idioma: español

Fecha: febrero 15 de 2020

Hora: 7:00 PM

Lugar: Immaculata High School
240 Mountain Avenue, Somerville, NJ 08876

Entrada gratuita

Clasificación de la Película: R (Menores de 17 años deben estar con la supervisión de los padres o de un adulto responsable)

Reflexiones

Presentación del Señor

"... lo llevaron a Jerusalén para presentarlo al Señor ..." (LUCAS 2:22)

¿Qué tan en serio te tomas ser católico? ¿Es "ser católico" algo que hago cuando asisto a la misa dominical o asisto a una de mis funciones parroquiales? Es fácil ser católico entonces, es más difícil ser católico cuando estoy en el mundo. ¿Te reconocería alguien como católico por tu forma de actuar, vestirte y hablar? ¿Cómo te presentas al Señor y a los demás?



Y ENCUENTRO

"Por eso, vayan y hagan que todos los pueblos sean mis discípulos" - Mt 28,19

CURSO DE LIDERAZGO

5 Clases: (Martes)
Marzo 3, 10, 24, 31 y Abril 7
De 7:00 pm - 9:15 pm

S30 (incluye material)

Centro Pastoral St John Neumann
146 Metlars Ln, Piscataway NJ 08854

Temas:

- ✓ El llamado al liderazgo
- ✓ El líder y su liderazgo
- ✓ El mapa para desarrollar tu liderazgo
- ✓ Destrezas de planificación
- ✓ Destrezas de comunicación
- ✓ Trabajo en equipo
- ✓ Manejo de conflictos
- ✓ Como conducir reuniones efectivas
- ✓ Desarrollo de recursos para la parroquia / ministerio
- ✓ El desarrollo de nuevos líderes

Información: correo electrónico
lescobar@diometuchen.org
o al teléfono 7322434573

Aspacia: Oficina de Evangelización Hispana.
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