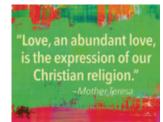


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# Saint Joseph

Roman Catholic Church

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ February 12, 2023



#### PASTOR:

Msgr. David C. Hubba

PAROCHIAL VICARS: Rev. John Z. Radwan Rev. Christian G. Scalo

DEACON: **George Montalvo** 

#### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 7:30am, 9am, 10:30 am, 12 noon DAILY Weekdays 7:00 am

& 8:30 am **Saturday** 8:30 am

#### HOLY DAYS

as announced

Miraculous Medal Novena Monday, 7:00 pm in Mary's Chapel

**Eucharistic Adoration** 

First Wed. of Month 9 am-4:15 pm in MC

#### **SACRAMENTS**

Confession: Saturday, 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

#### **Baptism**

Contact the Parish Office

#### Marriage

Arrangements should be made with a priest at least one year in advance.

#### Homebound/Hospital

Call Parish Office

Christian Initiation of Adults—RCIA Contact Parish Office

**PARISH** 

REGISTRATION

Contact Parish Office

'Again you have heard that it was said to your ancestors, Do not take a false oath, but make good to the Lord all that you vow. But I say to you, do not swear at all. Let your 'Yes' mean 'Yes' and your 'No' mean 'No."' - Mt 5:33-34a, 37

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Parish Office Hours: Mon.-Fri.: 9:00 am-2:00 pm. PLEASE TELEPHONE FIRST (201-261-0148)



**Saturday February 11, 2023** 5:00 pm Mary B. Sweeney

**Sunday** February 12, 2023 7:30 am People of the Parish 9:00 am Carolina Accomando

21st Anniversary Remembrance

10:30 am May DelBove

17th Anniversary Remembrance

12:00 pm Imogene Papp

MondayFebruary 13, 20237:00 amLuis Vicente Rivas8:30 amDr. John Driscoll

TuesdayFebruary 14, 20237:00 amJohn McMahon8:30 amFred and Mary Burns

Wednesday February 15, 2023 7:00 am Joan Jude Alot

Birthday Remembrance

8:30 am Salvatore Caruso

Thursday
7:00 am
Sophia Lagdameo
Living ~ Birthday
8:30 am
Louis Tonachio, Jr.

**Friday** 7:00 am Mary Adams 8:30 am Flora C. Acosta

**Saturday** February 18, 2023 8:30 am Mr. and Mrs. Joseph 5:00 pm John E. McHuge

SundayFebruary 19, 20237:30 amHelen Browning9:00 amPeople of the Parish10:30 amMaria Mallet

12:00 pm Connie and Paul Spiniello



#### **BREAD & WINE INTENTION**

The **Bread and Wine**for the week of **February 12, 2023**Is Offered
For the Honor and Glory of God.

#### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

Let us remember all those who are ill:

Ed Grube, Richard Nelson, Annette Linder, Ed Ahlers, Judy Ahlers

Let us remember all those who have died.

Rev. Leonardo Nicholas Torres Barchello

Let us remember those serving in our military:

Capt. Harry Aquino USAF, Capt. Christopher Bascomb, Chaplain (Capt.) Father AJ De Silva USAR, 1st LT Ellen McPherson, GY Sgt. Brian P. McCarthy USMC 1st LT Michael McPherson, Capt. Michael Shuler, SGT David Michael Solinas. Ir.



#### **HOLIDAY CLOSINGS**

The Parish Office/Rectory will be closed on Monday, February 20 for Presidents Day.

Saint Joseph School will be closed for Winter Break from February 20 through February 24



## Prayer for World Marriage Day

Father, as we prepare for World Marriage Day, we thank you for your tremendous gift of the Sacrament of Marriage. Help us to witness to its glory by a life of

growing intimacy. Teach us the beauty of forgiveness so we may become more and more One in Heart, Mind, and Body. Strengthen our dialogue and help us become living signs of your love. Make us grow more in love with the Church so we may renew the Body of Christ. Make us a sign of unity in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Brother. Amen.

(Rev. William Dilgen, SSM)

#### **ADORATION** —February 15

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held on Wednesday, February 15, 2023 in Mary's Chapel from 9:00 AM – 4:15 PM. The Legion of Mary invites you to attend.



PLEASE NOTE

AmazonSmile will be discontinued as of February 20, 2023

#### FROM THE DESK OF DEACON GEORGE MONTALVO



ST. TARCISIUS
Saints are people who inspire us.
They are role models of how the love of God can transform a life.
St. Tarcisius is a Saint that had a tremendous influence in my life when I was young and still continues to be a source of inspiration. Here is his story taken from the EWTN website:

"Tarcisius was a twelve-year-old acolyte during one of the fierce Roman persecutions of the third century, during that of Valerian. Each day, from a secret meeting place in the catacombs where Christians gathered for Mass, a deacon would be sent to the prisons to carry the Eucharist to those Christians condemned to die. At one point, there was no deacon to send and so St. Tarcisius, an acolyte, was sent carrying the "Holy Mysteries" to those in prison.

On the way, he was stopped by boys his own age who were not Christians but knew him as a playmate and lover of games. He was asked to join their games, but this time he refused, and the crowd of boys noticed that he was carrying something.

Somehow, he was also recognized as a Christian, and the small gang of boys, anxious to view the Christian "Mysteries," became a mob and turned upon Tarcisius with fury. He went down under the blows, and it is believed that a fellow Christian drove off the mob and rescued the young acolyte.

The mangled body of Tarcisius was carried back to the catacombs, but the boy died on the way from his injuries. He was buried in the cemetery of St. Callistus, and his relics are claimed by the church of San Silvestro in Capite."

St. Tarcisius is an example of love for the Eucharist-The Body of Christ, and of the courage to defend it against any kind of desecration. At his young age of twelve, he understood that what was entrusted to him was the **real presence** of Jesus and not mere blessed bread. Knowing this he was willing to give up his life before letting anyone desecrate it. He was able to understand the mystery that Jesus is **really present** in the Eucharist.

It is amazing that 67% of Catholics do not believe in the real presence in the Eucharist (according to Pew Center Research Survey). It means that some Catholics do not believe that during the **Consecration** the bread and wine **transubstantiates** into the Body and Blood of Christ. These Catholics believe the Eucharist is just a symbol. How far they are from what first century Christians held as an undeniable truth, and of what the Catholic Church's teaching still hold as such. If it was just a symbol, no one would be willing to give up his/her own life as this Saint and many others did.

The teaching of the real presence is so clear in the Gospel of John: In John 6, Jesus stuns His followers by saying: "I am the living bread which came down from heaven; if anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever; and the bread which I shall give for the life of the world is my flesh." And when the disciples asked Jesus about this, He replied: Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of man and drink his blood, you have no life in you; he who eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day. For my flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him. (Jn 6:53-56)

The Catechism of the Catholic Church (1324-1327), states that, "The Eucharist is "the source and summit" of the Christian life. It is here around the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist that our Christian identity makes sense. Jesus that gives himself to us, challenges us at the same time to give ourselves to others becoming bread for others.

As the children of the parish are getting closer to receiving Jesus in the Eucharist, we ask you to pray for them and for their families, so they all come to learn and believe that Communion is Jesus' body, soul and divinity in the form of bread and wine. As St. Thomas Aquinas, said "the Eucharist is called the "bread of angels" because it is a foretaste of heavenly fellowship and spiritual eating that the angels enjoy and we look forward to in the life to come.

Deacon George Montalvo



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#### Monthly Prayer with Mary February 11 Topic: Our Lady of Lourdes & Marian Consecration

All parishioners, especially those who feel a special closeness with the Blessed Mother, are invited to attend the Legion of Mary's "Monthly Prayer with Mary" after the 8:30 AM Mass on Saturday, February 11 in Mary's Chapel. After our rosary prayers and a short reflection on Our Lady of Lourdes, there will be a presentation on Marian Consecration.

Starting February 20, interested parishioners will begin a 33-day preparation for Marian Consecration on March 25, the Feast of the Annunciation. The preparation may be done individually at home or as a weekly group study, using the book 33 Days to Morning Glory by Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC.

Any parishioner who is interested in preparing for the consecration for the first time is encouraged to attend the presentation on February 11. Preparation books and other information will be available at that time or contact Pat at 201-615-0585 or email LOM@sicnj.org for more information.



#### **CELEBRATING A SPECIAL** WEDDING ANNIVERSARY?

The Archdiocese would like to honor those couples who celebrate five, twenty-five and fifty years of **Christian marriage** in the year 2023! These anniversary liturgies will take place in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark on the following dates:

**APRIL 16, 2023** at 3:00 pm (**50 years**) MAY 7, 2023 at 3:00 pm (5 & 25 years)

**PLEASE NOTE:** Since we were unable to host these celebrations in 2020 and 2021, any couple who would have celebrated their Silver or Gold Anniversary in those years is also most welcome to join us.

We extend our warmest congratulations to those who are celebrating one of these special anniversaries and hope you will be able to attend the liturgy.

**IMPORTANT:** You MUST notify our parish secretary Gerry Carolan no later than April 5 so we can send your name to the Archdiocese. They will then send you further information about the celebration.



#### DO YOU HAVE PARISH NEWS TO SHARE?

Bulletin announcements should be sent to bulletin@sicni.org.

All bulletin submissions for Sunday, Feb. 26, are due by Friday, Feb. 17.



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#### CONFIRMATION RETREAT ~ JANUARY 28 AND 29

The first of two retreats, held at Saint Joseph School Gym and Church.

(Photos submitted by Glenn Schneider)





## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HALL AVAILABLE FOR RENTAL

The **Knights of Columbus Hall** located at **199 River Road in New Milford** is available for rental for parties of all kinds. Go to **kofc3814.org** and click on "HALL RENTAL INFORMATION."

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