

Oradell/New Milford, NJ

# Saint Joseph

## Roman Catholic Church

Twenty-Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time ~ September 17, 2023



### 24<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Peter approached Jesus and asked him, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times." - Mt 18:21-22

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#### 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 Wednesday 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

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



## PRAYER REQUESTS

**Let us remember all those who are ill:**

Ed Grube, Richard Nelson, Annette Linder,  
Paul Toner, Rita Petrie, Daniel Blair,  
Ken Johnson, Anthony Avena

**Let us remember all those who have died.**

**Let us remember those serving in our military:**

Capt. Harry Aquino USAF, Capt. Christopher Bascomb,  
Chaplain (Capt.) Father AJ De Silva USAR,  
Capt. Ellen McPherson, Capt. Michael McPherson  
Warrant Officer Brian P. McCarthy USMC,  
Capt. Michael Shuler, 2LT Michael Kirwan USAF

## FROM THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

Our Religious Education program begins today. We are looking forward to a wonderful year. Thank you to all those who volunteered as catechists and office helpers. We are still in need of a few assistants on Sunday mornings. If you would like to join this Ministry, please contact the Religious Education office at 201-261-1144 or [religiously@sjcnj.org](mailto:religiously@sjcnj.org).

## Calling All Volunteers and Liturgical Ministers!

As we begin to look forward to a new year of ministry together, we invite any adult volunteer (age 18 or over) who has not completed a volunteer packet which includes the Archdiocesan requirements of Protecting God's Children, the authorization of a background check, and the signing of the Code of Conduct, to please do so. Compliance with these requirements is necessary for any adult volunteering at St. Joseph's and is mandated by the Archdiocese of Newark. Please contact our parish office with any questions.

Also, if you would like to volunteer for any of the many ministries that we have at St. Joe's, please do not hesitate to reach out! Your kindness and gift of time is what helps to make our parish the welcoming home it is for our parishioners and visitors.

We are very grateful to all who share their gifts with our community.

<b>Saturday</b> 5:00 pm	<b>September 16, 2023</b> Edward and Marguerite Jackson
<b>Sunday</b> 7:30 am 9:00 am 10:30 am 12:00 pm	<b>September 17, 2023</b> People of the Parish Audrey Duffy Jacura Family Alexander Mauro
<b>Monday</b> 7:00 am 8:30 am	<b>September 18, 2023</b> Marie Chiarella A Mass for the unborn
<b>Tuesday</b> 7:00 am 8:30 am	<b>September 19, 2023</b> Rita Gallagher The D'Mello Family
<b>Wednesday</b> 7:00 am 8:30 am	<b>September 20, 2023</b> Ana Tumang Peter Eckert, Jr.
<b>Thursday</b> 7:00 am 8:30 am	<b>September 21, 2023</b> Mary Jane Hance Barber Maureen Pouch
<b>Friday</b> 7:00 am 8:30 am	<b>September 22, 2023</b> Bertrand F. Barry Kevin O'Boyle
<b>Saturday</b> 8:30 am  5:00 pm	<b>September 23, 2023</b> In Thanksgiving For Special Intentions Mildred M. Frykberg
<b>Sunday</b> 7:30 am 9:00 am  10:30 am 12:00 pm	<b>September 24, 2023</b> People of the Parish Philip Vincenti 1st Anniversary Remembrance Wilbert and Ann Norton Brian McCann Anniversary Remembrance



## BREAD & WINE INTENTION

The Bread and Wine  
for the week of  
**September 17, 2023**  
Is offered in loving memory of  
**Alexander Mauro**  
Requested by your loving family.



## SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTION

The Sanctuary Lamp  
For the week of  
**September 17, 2023**  
Burns in the Upper Church  
In loving memory of  
**Sgt. David Solinas, Jr.**  
Requested by The Solinas Family



## A note from Fr. Christian



Jesus came so that we would have life and experience it to the full (see *John 10:10*). He came to break the chains that hold us down including those that weigh heavily on our heart each day. Ever held a grudge against someone? Exchanged harsh words? Maybe refused to

help someone, or harbored some negative thoughts in our mind and heart after a person did us wrong? It's true, there's sin in the world and at times we ourselves fall in one way or another. But that's not all! There's also goodness, beauty, truth... there's the love of Christ that has been poured into our hearts and the gift of forgiveness that the Lord extends to us each day. Unfortunately our "issues" those past, present, or anticipated don't just immediately fall away all the time. Faith in Jesus doesn't mean that all of our problems suddenly disappear! It means at very least that Christ the Savior walks with us each day, that we can be secure placing our faith and trust in God, that we have the grace to live from a place of peace and hope that tomorrow will be even better than today. As a parish we hold each other in prayer. My prayer for each and every one of us is that we will experience the peace and joy that only the Lord can give; that even in the midst of challenging of circumstances, we will have the courage to entrust our cares to him. *"Cast all your worries upon Him, because He cares for you"* (1 Peter 5:7).

**With Prayer,  
Fr. Christian**

## GROWING WITH THE Gospel

CYCLE A

### COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



24th Sunday in Ordinary Time • Matthew 18:21-35



## GOSPEL

You sin, just like everybody else does. God forgives you even if your sin is very bad. God washes all of your sins away and treats you with kindness. The next time someone hurts your feelings, remember how God forgives you. Follow God's example.



## PRAYER

God, teach me to forgive other people the way you forgive me.



September 25, 2023  
Valley Brook Golf Course  
River Vale, NJ

**Bergen Catholic will be hosting Open Houses on Tuesday October 3rd at 6:30pm, and Sunday November 5th at 1pm.** Registration can be found on the Bergen Catholic website. For questions, please the admissions office at [admissions@bergenatholic.org](mailto:admissions@bergenatholic.org)

**Attention ALL 8th grade students:** Bergen Catholic will be hosting an HSPT prep course for interested students applying to local catholic high schools in November. Course dates and registration information can be found on the Bergen Catholic website. For questions, please contact Matt Rosa '08, VP of Admissions at [mrosa@bergencatholic.org](mailto:mrosa@bergencatholic.org).

Don Bosco Prep will be hosting its Fall Open Houses:  
**September 28<sup>th</sup>** 6:30-8:30 PM and  
**October 22<sup>nd</sup>** 1:00- 3:00 preceded at 12 by mass..  
 Our Open House is a fantastic way to learn more about  
 the school and the Ironmen community and Spirit.  
 Tour our campus. Engage with faculty and staff. Meet  
 current Ironmen. Do not pass up this chance to  
 explore all that Don Bosco Prep has to offer!  
 Register at [donboscoprep.org](http://donboscoprep.org)



# 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Take a leap of faith and get involved with  
*40 Days For Life!*

Please consider giving one hour a week this Fall to stand in a peaceful vigil across from Women's Choice Abortion Clinic, 10 Zabriskie St. Hackensack, NJ on the days that they perform abortions - Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, between the hours of 7 am and 2 pm. Your presence will definitely make a difference and maybe save someone's life. For more information or to sign up, contact Margaret at 201-805-0937 or [scullyfam@yahoo.com](mailto:scullyfam@yahoo.com)

**Rachel's Vineyard** is a safe place to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion. Weekend retreats can help begin the process of restoration, renewal and healing for men and women. Call 973-497-4350 or email [Cheryl.riley@rcan.org](mailto:Cheryl.riley@rcan.org) for more information. **There is a retreat in Newark Sept. 22-24**, but there are retreats in other locations as well. If you are in need of healing but can't wait for a retreat, please call 866-721-7881, or visit <https://h3helpline.org/>. We're here for you 24/7.



The Friends of the New Milford Public Library will hold a Book Sale at the library, 200 Dahlia Avenue, on Friday, Sept 29 from 12-4 pm and on Saturday, Sept 30 from 10am-4pm. Preview sale for Friends of the Library will be on Friday, Sept 29 from 10am-12pm. Books in good condition can be donated Sept 5-26 during library hours. Also scheduled is a Town-Wide Garage sale on Saturday, Sept 30 from 9am-4pm. Participant forms can be picked up at the library. Maps will be available in front of the library on Sat. Sept. 30 at 8:30am. For more information, call 201-262-1221.



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 4PM: Approximate departure time

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For more information and updates please visit:  
<http://friendsofthenewarkmonastery.org/>



## Attention families of 8th grade students planning to attend Catholic High School in Fall 2024!

The High School Placement Test (HSPT) administered as part of the Cooperative Admissions Exam Program for Catholic High Schools will be given on Friday, November 10, 2023. Registration for the HSPT exam is available online at [www.njcoopexam.org](http://www.njcoopexam.org) beginning September 1st. For more information about the Cooperative Admissions Program, go to [www.catholicchoolsnj.org](http://www.catholicchoolsnj.org). Additionally, the Catholic High Schools are holding their annual HS Expo Night. Parents and students are invited to meet with representatives from many Archdiocesan High Schools from 7:00-8:30 pm on the following dates and locations:

**Tuesday, September 19th** at St. Thomas the Apostle School, 50 Byrd Avenue, Bloomfield

**Tuesday, September 26th** at Academy of St. Paul, 187 Wycoff Avenue, Ramsey

**Wednesday, September 27th** at St. Peter's Preparatory School, 144 Grand Street, Jersey City

**Thursday, September 28th** at St. John the Apostle School, 541 Valley Road, Clark

For directions and more information, visit

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SOCIETY OF ST. LYDIA

**The Society of St. Lydia** will be hosting a woman's only "Day of Reflection" Saturday, October 14, 2023 from 10am – 2pm at Sacred Heart – St. Patrick Parish, 26 Still Road, Monroe, NY 10950.

Day will begin with Holy Mass at 10am, followed by reflections, fellowship, Eucharistic Adoration, confession and special message by an esteemed Franciscan Sister of the Renewal. Kindly bring your own lunch. Coffee, tea, and light desserts will be provided. Advance registration is not required, and all women of faith are welcome.

**The Society of St. Lydia** is a consoroity of Catholic women who are committed to living their faith in a clear and explicitly feminine manner. Its mission is to acknowledge, honor and empower Catholic women, by the example of Saint Lydia, to utilize their unique gifts for the building of the Church. For further information call or text event coordinator – Ellen Roché 845-275-3749

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**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**OCTOBERFEST**

An **Octoberfest** is being planned for Sunday, Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 at 1PM on the church grounds near the "Y" building. Wrist bands will be sold through Parish website [www.churchoftheascension.com](http://www.churchoftheascension.com) "we share". Adult 13+ - \$12, Child, 6-12 - \$6. Family of 4 (2 adults, 2 children - \$30). Day of event, Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>, Adult 13+ - \$15, child \$8, family of 4(2 adults, 2 children, \$40) includes food, music, games. Beer will be sold, 50/50 raffle. Fun for the whole family. Rain or shine!

**Trip to Wind Creek Casino**, Bethlehem, Pa. Tuesday, Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>. Price per person \$35 includes \$25 slot free play. Must have ID to get promotion. Bus will leave Ascension parking lot at 9am. Make check payable to: Ascension Church. Indicate names of people attending and phone # and drop off at parish office. For info. call Josie (201)265-0485 or Anna (201)206-4297.

**HOLIDAY SIGHTS & SOUNDS OF LANCASTER, PA.** Nov 15-16, 2 days/1 night features 1 night's lodging, 1 breakfast, 1 dinner. "Miracle of Christmas" at Sight & Sound theatre, "The First Noel" at the American Music Theatre, guided tour of the Amish Country side, including stops at an Amish craft farm & bake shop, kitchen Kettle Village, luggage handling, taxes & gratuities & bus transportation. Price of \$374 per person double occ., \$444 per person single occ. Includes all of the above. \$100 deposit will hold your reservation. Call: Josie (201)265-0485 or Anna (201) 206-4297. Cancellation insurance is highly recommended.

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Saturday, September 30, 9:30 am to 3:30 pm \$60.  
\$75 Extended day includes Vespers, dinner and Compline, and ends at 7:00 pm.  
Please contact Sr. Marlene Milasus, OSB at the Spirituality Center at [center@bensisnj.org](mailto:center@bensisnj.org) or call 908-352-4278 Ext 205 for more information.

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Bulletin announcements should be sent to  
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All bulletin submissions for  
**Sunday, October 1**  
are due by **Friday, September 22.**

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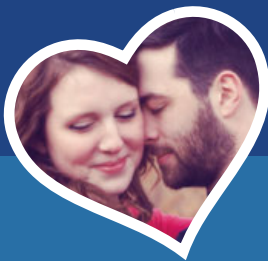
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