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Saint Joseph

Roman Catholic Church

Thirty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time ~ November 5, 2023



Veterans Day

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ADMINISTRATOR :
Rev. Christian G. Scalo

PAROCHIAL VICAR:
Rev. John Z. Radwan

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 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

Office	Location	Phone	Email/Fax	Website
Parish Office	105 Harrison St., New Milford	201-261-0148	office@sjcnj.org	sjcnj.org
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Saint Joseph School the Greenhouse PreK	305 Elm St., Oradell	201-261-2388	office@sjsusa.org	sjsusa.org

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

Orders due Nov. 20!

Memorial Christmas Ornament Fundraiser

Saint Joseph Parish cordially invites you to join us in commemorating your deceased loved ones during the Christmas season by participating in our memorial fundraising event.

You can select from one of two beautifully crafted glass ornaments, \$25 each, which will be personalized with the name of your loved one and hung on our Church's Christmas trees during the Christmas season. Afterward, you can take it home as a treasured keepsake for years to come.

For more detailed images of the ornaments, please see the order forms in the bulletin racks. You can also view these ornaments on the parish website and parish Facebook page.

Please provide the information below and return the completed form, with your check, as soon as possible. Please fill out **one form** per ornament order. All orders must be received by **Monday, November 20.**

Please return your completed form(s) and check one of the following ways:

- Drop off your form(s) and check at the rectory or mailbox outside the rectory;
- Place your form(s) and check in the collection basket at Mass;
- Mail your form(s) and check to Saint Joseph Church, 105 Harrison Street, New Milford, NJ 07646.

Please make the check payable, for \$25 per ornament, to "Saint Joseph Church" and write "Ornament" in the memo line.

Questions, please email: pastoralcouncil@sjcnj.org

Name: _____

Phone #: _____

Email address: _____

Name to be memorialized: _____

*Teardrop ornament character limit for name: 20 characters

Cross ornament character limit for name: 19 characters

Birth & Death years: _____

*Teardrop ornament character limit for years: 20 characters

Cross ornament character limit for years: 11 characters

Choice of ornament (please select one):

Teardrop _____ **Cross _____

*Character limitations on both ornaments include periods, commas and blank spaces

Please note: regarding the **cross ornament, names that contain a lowercase "z" will have the font changed from a script to a block style for legibility purposes

A note from Fr. Christian



A few weeks ago, there was a large Eucharistic procession through the streets of NYC, the videos of which are all over the internet. Thousands of people took part. While watching different clips from the procession, I was very moved to see the reaction of the people.

Not just the tremendous and beautiful faith of the people walking in the procession, who more likely than not, were fully aware of the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist - but also the interest of the people passing by who may have had no idea what was happening. People of other faiths or maybe even those with no faith who were casually walking by doing their business. Cell phones were out taking videos of the extraordinary event that was taking place in their midst. People were drawn to the Eucharist. There were no flashing lights or special effects— just the presence of Jesus in the midst of the business of the city.

People are hungry deep within their soul for Jesus and the peace, love, and joy that comes from following him. The world today has so many distractions, from modern technology to the anxieties that plague our mind and heart. We might try running from one thing to another, trying to keep busy, hoping to fill the emptiness with whatever we can find or to distract ourselves from the pain that can be within. But ultimately, anything less than Jesus doesn't work in the long term. Temporary relief may come, but it is only just that... temporary. Eternal peace and security comes only from Christ.

The Lord always extends a hand inviting us to draw closer. Allowing him into our heart doesn't take anything fancy or expensive... but it does require us to make a choice and to be firm in that choice. To use our free will to let him in. To say, "Lord Jesus, I want you to come into my life. I want to experience your love. I want to know you more." Once we make that choice to put God in first place and remain committed to our own spiritual growth as disciples, he does the rest as long as our dedication to following him remains firm. May God bless you today and always.

***With Prayer,
Fr. Christian***

VETERANS DAY CELEBRATION!



**Saint Joseph School
Is Honoring Veterans on
Thursday, November 9th at 9 AM
In the Lower School Cafeteria**

Saint Joseph School will be hosting a continental breakfast and program for our military heroes. We would like to invite Veterans, along with their immediate family members, to join us.

If you can attend, please complete and return the below reservation to the school office by November 6th. Veterans and their families should arrive to the Lower School Cafeteria at 9 AM for breakfast. The program will begin in the gymnasium promptly at 9:30 AM.

VETERANS DAY RESERVATION

Veteran's Name _____

Military Branch _____

Family Name _____

of People attending _____

“Everyone who was willing and whose heart moved him, came and brought an offering to the Lord for the work.” Exodus 25:21

What we have done so far?

A few weeks ago, we announced that our parish is embarking on an ***Increased Offertory Program***.

Then, you received a mailing, explaining the reason, purpose, and goals of this important endeavor.

Then we had our ***Lay Witness Weekend*** where we listened to our fellow parishioners share the importance of the Sunday collection and how you can participate in this effort.

A few weeks ago was our ***In-Pew Commitment Weekend*** where everyone had an opportunity to make their commitment at Mass.

**AN INCREDIBLE RESPONSE!
WITH A FEW WEEKS
REMAINING!!!**

Thank you to all those who have participated thus far.

With a few weeks remaining a **Second Follow Up Mailing** was sent to parishioners who have not yet responded.

We invite you and every registered household to consider taking a step, or two, in your contribution to the parish by increasing your Sunday offering by 20%-50%.

Electronic Giving

Electronic/Online Giving is a convenient no hassle method, of making your Sunday offertory to the church.

For more information or to sign up you can visit sjcnj.org and click on the **Donate** tab. You can also contact the parish office for more details.

If you are a current online giving user and you participate in the Increased Offertory Program you will need to log into your account and update your giving to reflect your intention.

To View Our Community



To Support Our Mission





Saturday 5:00 pm	November 4, 2023 Arthur M. Schrader, Jr.
Sunday 7:30 am 9:00 am 10:30 am 12:00 pm 4:00 pm	November 5, 2023 People of the Parish Johnny Tomassi Margaret Fox Deceased Members of the Spiniello, Mauro, Cina And DePeri Families Youth Mass
Monday 7:00 am 8:30 am	November 6, 2023 All Our Beloved Deceased Deceased Members of the Legion of Mary
Tuesday 7:00 am 8:30 am	November 7, 2023 Joan and Tony Ciampo All Our Beloved Deceased
Wednesday 7:00 am 8:30 am	November 8, 2023 Gary Stephen Prior All Our Beloved Deceased
Thursday 7:00 am 8:30 am	November 9, 2023 James Kelly All Our Beloved Deceased
Friday 7:00 am 8:30 am	November 10, 2023 All Our Beloved Deceased Michael King
Saturday 8:30 am 5:00 pm	November 11, 2023 All Our Beloved Deceased Mr. and Mrs. William Sweeney
Sunday 7:30 am 9:00 am 10:30 am 12:00 pm	November 12, 2023 People of the Parish Ann and Terry Levy Paul Alan Prior Tony Navarra

PRAYER REQUESTS

Let us remember all those who are ill:

Ed Grube, Annette Linder, Paul Toner,
Rita Petrie, Daniel Blair, Jonathan J. Benkovic,
James Sweeney, Cooper Kurella, Rosemary Iessi,
Kathleen Thiele, Barbara DiGiovanni

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

PLEASE BE ADVISED!

There is another scam email / text message that
has gone out claiming to be from Fr. Christian.
The message asks for money or gift cards.
PLEASE DO NOT RESPOND TO IT!
It is NOT from Fr. Christian



Youth Ministry - Led Family Mass

Sunday, November 5 at 4:00 pm

All are welcome!

Daily Mass Schedule Change

Beginning on November 20th, 2023 we will have only
one daily Mass, the 8:30am. The decision to cancel the
7am was made with careful consideration, after
speaking with members of our Pastoral Council, and
with a personal announcement to the regular
attendees out of respect and courtesy for them. Since
the passing of Msgr. Hubba, we have done our best to
maintain the current schedule of daily Mass, however
this has become less sustainable now that we have two
priests continuing the ministries that once belonged to
three. This has become especially challenging when
one priest is unavailable or away on vacation. All of
this, coupled with a lower attendance at the 7am Mass
compared to the 8:30am Mass, contributed to this
decision. To facilitate this change, **all current Mass
intentions for the 7am Mass will be announced
alongside those of the 8:30am Mass of the same
day.** Please know that this was not a decision that was
made lightly, but ultimately, one that is more
sustainable for us going forward. **Please note this
change does not impact Sunday Masses.**
Thank you for your understanding.



BREAD & WINE INTENTION

The **Bread and Wine**
for the week of
November 5, 2023
Are Offered
For the Honor and Glory of God

TURKEY TO DONATE?

Do you have a Shop Rite turkey that you would like to donate to the Church of Ascension food pantry? No need to pick it up. Requirements are that you spend \$400 at Shop Rite between October 15 through Thursday, November 23, to qualify. If you qualify for a free turkey and would like to donate it, please call the Ascension Church parish office at 201-836-8961 or Joan (pantry volunteer) at 201-446-6240 and provide both your telephone number and Shop Rite Price Club number. The Ascension Church food pantry volunteers will be happy to pick it up for you and give it to the needy and less fortunate. Thank you!



The Shawl Ministry of St Joseph's Parish will meet again on **Wednesday, Nov 8.**

This year we will meet on the second Wednesday of the month from 11am to 1pm in the Parish Life Center.

We welcome new members who can crochet and knit to our meetings. Just bring your current project with you, and enjoy our prayerful and happy group.

We present shawls to those who are experiencing celebrations as well as challenging occasions.

Free Concert at New Milford Public Library

The Friends of the New Milford Public Library will host a concert featuring the All Seasons Chamber Players on Sunday, November 5 at 2pm, at the New Milford Library located at 200 Dahlia Avenue. The program titled "Old Friends and New Acquaintances" is free to the public and light refreshments will be served. For information, call 201-262-1221 or 201-262-7132



YOUTH ADORATION
November 10 at 7:30 pm
In The Upper Church

Bulletin submissions for **Sunday, November 19**
Are due by **Friday, November 10.**
bulletin@sjcnj.org



FOOD DRIVE AT SAINT JOSEPH NOV. 18-19



Our traditional **Thanksgiving Food Drive** will take place **November 18-19**. Your generous donations will bless those in need of the **Food Pantries** at the Church of the Ascension in New Milford and other local charities. Below is a list of items most often requested. Please make sure that the food is **NOT OUTDATED**. "**Especially needed items**" are in "**bold**."

Baby Food/Formula	Macaroni & Cheese
Baked Beans	Mayo/Mustard/Ketchup
Beans (<i>Dried or Canned</i>)	Meat/Fish (<i>Canned</i>)
Beef Stew (<i>Canned</i>)	Milk (<i>Powdered or Canned</i>)
Cake Mix/Frosting	Napkins
Canned Beets	Pancake Mix/Syrup
Canned Mushrooms	Paper Towels
Canned Spinach	Pasta/Pasta Sauce
Cereal	Peanut Butter & Jelly
Coffee/Tea	Potatoes (<i>Canned or Instant</i>)
Conditioner (Hair)	Rice (Instant/Minute)
Cranberry Sauce	Salad Dressing
Diapers - Size 5	Shampoo
Dishwashing Liquid	Shaving Cream
Deodorant	Soap
Fruit (<i>Canned</i>)	Soup (<i>Canned</i>)
Fruit Juice	Stuffing Mix
Garbage Bags	Sugar/Salt/Pepper/Etc.
Gravy	Toilet Paper
Jello/Pudding	Toothpaste
Laundry Detergent	Vegetables (<i>Canned</i>)

FROZEN TURKEYS CANNOT BE ACCEPTED AS THE PARISH HAS NO REFRIGERATOR/FREEZER CAPACITY.

If you prefer, you may make a **monetary donation**. Please make your check payable to "Saint Joseph Church" and mark the envelope "Food Drive." Thank you.

Due to the plastic/paper bag ban in NJ, we Greatly appreciate your donation of re-usable bags (or cardboard boxes) with your food donation.

Please bring your donations to the Rectory garage, before or after any of the Masses, on the weekend of November 18-19.

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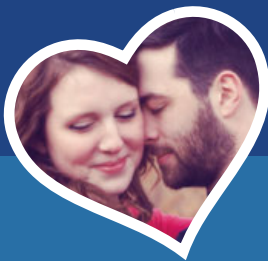
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