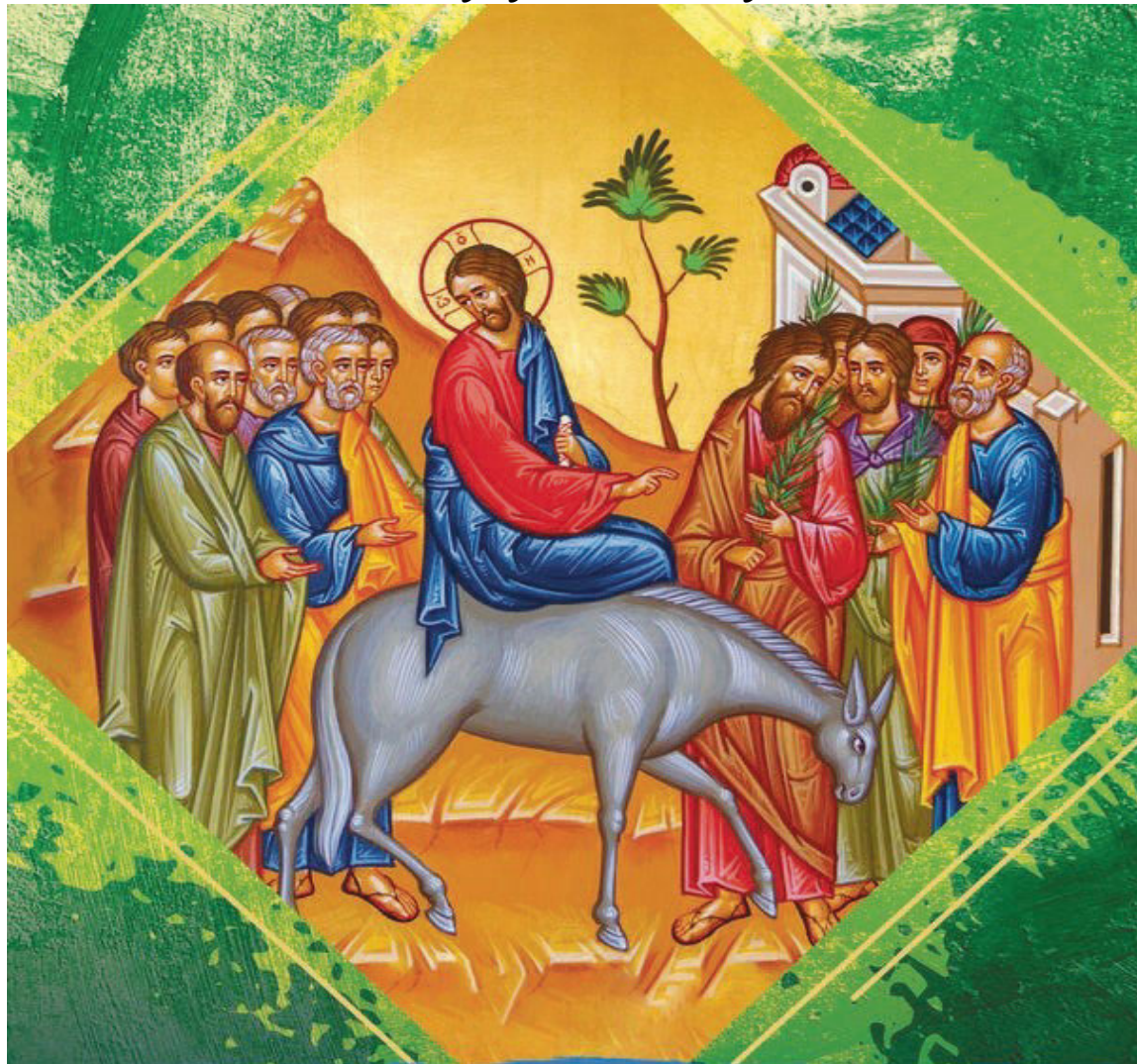


Saint Joseph

Roman Catholic Church

Oradell/New Milford, NJ Palm Sunday Of The Passion Of The Lord ~ March 24, 2024



PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

“Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!” - Mk 11:9

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ADMINISTRATOR :
Rev. Christian G. Scalò

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
Monday - 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.

For More Information
About:

Homebound/Hospital Visits

Christian Initiation of
Adults / RCIA

Parish Registration
Please Contact Parish Office

Office	Location	Phone	Email/Fax	Website
Parish Office	105 Harrison St., New Milford	201-261-0148	office@sjcnj.org	sjcnj.org
Religious Education	105 Harrison St., New Milford	201-261-1144	religioused@sjcnj.org	sjcnjre.org
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)



PRAYER REQUESTS

Let us remember all those who are ill:

Ed Grube, Annette Linder, Paul Toner,
Jonathan J. Benkovic, James Sweeney, Susan Petrella,
Jim McLane, Kathleen Thiele, Bill Schmalz, Daniel Blair,
Michele Meli, Vincent Ferranti, Maria DeVito,
Bernice Lee, Purificacion Posadas, Ellen Pedrick,
Lillian Pryslak

Names of individuals added to this list will be read aloud at Mass for two consecutive weeks and then listed here for 3 months. If you would like to add a person again, please contact the parish office. Names should only be submitted with the permission of the individual who is sick.

Let us remember all those who have died.

John Coleman, Craig Schmalz

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

Saturday 5:00 pm	March 23, 2024 William J. Sweeney
Sunday 7:30 am 9:00 am 10:30 am 12:00 pm	March 24, 2024 People of the Parish Joan Link Susan DeRosa Tom Piersa Birthday Remembrance
Monday 8:30 am	March 25, 2024 Tom Unanue ~ Living Maryellen Mannarino
Tuesday 8:30 am	March 26, 2024 Arthur Duffy Alfredo Almeida
Wednesday 8:30 am	March 27, 2024 Duke Family ~ Living Ethel Stewart
Thursday 7:30 pm 10:00 pm	March 28, 2024 Mass of the Lord's Last Supper <i>Following the Mass, the church remains open for Adoration</i> Concluding night prayer
Friday 9:00 am 3:00 pm	March 29, 2024 (No Masses) Morning Prayer Celebration of the Lord's Passion
Saturday 9:00 am 8:15 pm	March 30, 2024 (Holy Saturday) Morning Prayer Vigil
Sunday 7:30 am 9:00 am 10:30 am 12:00 pm	March 31, 2024 (Easter Sunday) People of the Parish Gregorio and Cresciana DeLuna Deceased Members of the Spiniello, Mauro, Cina, and DePeri Families Ruben and Adelaida Silva

There will be NO NOVENA on Monday, March 25th

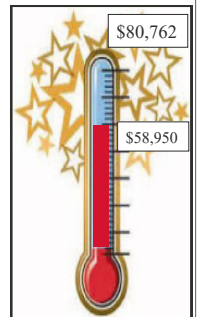
The **Rectory Office** will close on **Holy Thursday, 3/28/24, at 12 Noon.** The office will be closed on **Good Friday, 3/29/24,** and on **Easter Monday, 4/1/24.**

ANNUAL ²⁰²⁴ APPEAL

To date 105 families have pledged a total of \$58,950 which is 73% of our assigned parish goal of \$80,762.

Please Help Us Reach Our Goal

The Parish needs \$21,812 more in pledges in order for the parish to qualify for a 2% reduction in our assessment. This is a savings of approximately \$15,000 for our parish. Please consider making a donation to the Annual Appeal. Pledge envelopes are at the doors of the church. You can return it in the collection basket next week or mail it to the parish office at 105 Harrison Street, New Milford, NJ 07646. You may also make your donation online at www.rcan.org/sharing or by scanning the QR code. Please make sure to select Saint Joseph Church, New Milford, Parish #564. Thank you for your prayers and support.



BREAD & WINE INTENTION

The **Bread & Wine**
for the week of
March 24, 2024
Are Offered

For The Fabiano Family
Requested by Gail Fabiano

A note from Fr. Christian



This week coming up is a BIG week for all of us. In fact, it is THE week of our Church calendar. It's a time when we celebrate some of the most holy days of the year: the Easter Triduum which includes Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil. In each of those days, we are personally invited to walk with Jesus as he made his way to the cross out of love for us, and to acknowledge the amazing gift of salvation that he gives to us and that desires us to receive with all our heart, mind, and soul.

We "kick off" Holy Week with the great celebration of Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem amidst the great crowds whose shouts of, "*Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; hosanna in the highest*" rang out in the streets as they lined the roads with branches and even their own cloaks (see Matt 21:6-9). The people recognized Jesus as a King and wanted to give him honor and praise! How beautiful it is that we commemorate that special moment which took place thousands of years ago even still today, as we too hold out our palm branches in praise and honor.

The humility of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem is truly astounding! Notice how he arrived... He didn't come in hoisted high on a throne, he didn't ride on a fine horse or come with many war chariots; he came on the back of a donkey showing that he is truly humble, gentle, and peaceful. How blessed we are to be the followers of Jesus who conquered evil and death not by violence or aggression, but rather with humility and the very gift of his own life poured out for us.

Our lives are very busy, there's no doubt about that. But I would like to encourage all of us to make this week truly special, to intentionally set aside some time for Jesus. If you've never been to any of the Masses/services of the Easter Triduum, take the opportunity to join us in worship! Each day has a different experience of the Church's liturgy that is unique to those days and is very moving. It's an opportunity to experience first hand the richness of our faith tradition alive in our worship and to put God in first place as we rapidly approach Easter.

May God bless you and your families during this sacred week.

*With prayer,
Fr. Christian*



**DAY OF FAST
& ABSTINENCE**

GOOD FRIDAY (March 29) is an obligatory day of **fast** and **abstinence**. When **fasting**, Catholics (age 18 until age 59) are permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. **Abstinence** from meat that day is required of Catholics age 14 and onwards. (U. S. Conference of Catholic Bishops)

PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the **Pontifical Good Friday Collection**, which helps **Christians in the Holy Land**.

You may drop your donation in the collection basket on Good Friday, make it via our online giving program WeShare, or mail your parish envelope or a plain envelope marked "Pontifical Collection" to the Parish Office at 105 Harrison St., New Milford, NJ 07646. **Kindly make out your check to "Saint Joseph Church" and memo it "Holy Land."**

Preparing for Divine Mercy Sunday

Saint Joseph's Legion of Mary will be distributing **Divine Mercy Novena** pamphlets after all the Palm Sunday Masses this weekend. Please look for them at the doors of the church.

The Novena begins on Good Friday with the intention and the chaplet to be prayed daily leading up to the **Divine Mercy Sunday** celebration on April 7 at 2:00 PM in the Upper Church. Devotions will include Adoration, Confession and the Divine Mercy Prayers.



LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS
Presented by St. Joseph Youth Ministry

Please join us in walking with Jesus as He is lead to the cross.

Friday, March 29, 2024 at 7:30pm

Please be aware of email scams pretending to be from Fr. Christian, and now most recently Fr. John Radwan.

Easter Flower Donations

Donations for flowers and decorations to adorn our church during the Easter season can be made in memory of a loved one or for a special intention. Please use the envelope you received in the mail or pick up an envelope at the doors of the church. Be sure to print the name of the deceased or special intention and your name. Checks (\$10 per name/family) made out to Saint Joseph Church may be put in the collection basket or dropped off or mailed to 105 Harrison Street, New Milford, NJ 07646.



PILGRIMAGE TO POLAND

In The Footsteps of St. John Paul II
Spiritual Leader - Fr. John Z. Radwan
12 Days : September 3-14, 2024



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Price: \$3,550 per person, in twin room.

Single supplement \$490

Price includes: Flights, all transfers in private bus, English speaking guide, meals (9 breakfasts & dinners) accommodations in Pilgrimage Houses, entrance fees to attractions, daily masses.

For reservations: Please fill out, sign, send a trip application along with a \$500 deposit to Classic Travel 186 Maple Ave. Wallington, NJ 07057. Deposit must be received by April 5, 2024.

For more information, please contact Fr. John at 973-978-2121, or Classic travel at 973-473-3845.

**CALL TO CONTINUING CONVERSION
at Cathedral Basilica**

Our candidates Francisco Casado (Candidate for Confirmation), Elisha Kiliko Mutinda (Candidate for Eucharist and Confirmation) were invited to the cathedral in Newark for a special rite (Feb. 2024)



2024 HOLY WEEK / EASTER SCHEDULE

**Saint Joseph Church
300 Elm Street, Oradell, NJ**

Individual Reconciliation

During Holy Week

Monday, March 25, Tuesday, March 26
and Wednesday, March 27

Immediately following the 8:30 am Mass each day.

Holy Thursday, March 28

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:30 pm

Following the Mass, the Church will remain open for adoration with the concluding Night Prayer at 10:00 pm.

Good Friday, March 29

Morning Prayer 9:00 am

Celebration of the Lord's Passion 3:00 pm

Living Stations of the Cross 7:30 pm

Holy Saturday, March 30

Morning Prayer 9:00 am

followed by Blessing of Food

Easter Vigil 8:15 pm

Easter Sunday, March 31

7:30 am, 9:00am, 10:30 am and 12 noon

All Masses are in the Upper Church.

Congratulations to our Sacristan, Tom Moran and his wife Elaine, who celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on March 16, 2024



SHOP RITE HOLIDAY DINNER DEALS

Do you have a Shop Rite Holiday Dinner Deal that you would like to donate to the Church of the Ascension Food Pantry? Requirements are that you spend \$400 at Shop Rite from Sunday, February 18th, thru Saturday, March 30th, to qualify. No need to pick it up. If you qualify and would like to donate your free Holiday Dinner item, please call the Ascension Church Parish office at 201-836-8961 and provide your (1) Telephone Number **and** (2) Shop Rite Price Plus number. The Ascension Parish food pantry volunteers will be happy to pick it up for you and give it to their food pantry clients. Thank you!



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 2024! These anniversary liturgies will take place in the **Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart** in Newark on the following dates:

June 2, 2024 at 12 noon (50 years)

May 5, 2024 at 12 noon (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 29** so we can send your name to the Archdiocese. They will then send you further information about the celebration.

Rachel's Vineyard - Healing the pain of abortion, one weekend at a time. 2024 Retreat Dates:

April 5-7, 2024

September 20-22, 2024

For more details, please call Cheryl Riley, Director of the Respect Life Office at 973-497-4350 or via email at Cheryl.riley@rcan.org

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.



PALM SUNDAY FOOD DRIVE AT SAINT JOSEPH MARCH 23-24

Our **Palm Sunday Food Drive** will take place on **Saturday, March 23, and Sunday, March 24**. Please bring your donations to the Rectory garage **BEFORE 1:15pm on Sunday**. Your generous donations will go to those in need at local pantries.

Below is a list of items often requested. Please be sure that the food is **NOT EXPIRED**.

Items in **bold** are most needed.

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|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Apple Sauce | Laundry Detergent |
| Baby Food | Mayonnaise |
| Baked Beans | Meat / Fish (canned) |
| Beans (dried or canned) | Milk (powdered/canned) |
| Beef Stew | Mustard |
| Bread Crumbs | Napkins |
| Cake Mix & Frosting | Pancake Mix |
| Canned Mandarin Oranges | Pancake Syrup |
| Canned Pineapple | Paper Towels |
| Canned Spinach | Pasta & Pasta Sauce |
| Canned White Potatoes | Peanut Butter & Jelly |
| Canned Yams | Potatoes - Instant (boxed) |
| Cereal | Razors |
| Chili | Rice - Brown & Instant |
| Coffee / Tea | Rice - flavored |
| Cookies | Salad Dressings |
| Crackers | Shampoo & Conditioner |
| Deodorant | Shaving Cream |
| Diapers - Sizes 4,5,6 | Soap - BARS |
| Diapers - PULLUPS | Soups - Creamed |
| Dishwashing Liquid | Soups - Tomato |
| Egg Noodles | Soups - Vegetable |
| Flour | SPAM |
| Fruit (canned) | Sugar |
| Juice - Cranberry | Salt/Pepper/Etc. |
| Juice - Grape | Tissues |
| Gravy | Toilet Paper |
| Jello / Pudding | Toothbrushes |
| Ketchup | Toothpaste |

If you prefer, you may make a **monetary donation**. Please make your **check payable to "Saint Joseph Church"** and mark the envelope **"Food Drive."** You may drop it off at the Rectory garage during the food drive hours on March 23-24; or drop it in the collection basket; or mail/drop it off at the parish office (105 Harrison Street, New Milford). Your generous donations will be a blessing to many. Thank you and God bless you!


Due to the plastic/paper bag ban in NJ, we greatly appreciate your donation of re-usable bags with your food donations.

"Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink?...Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did it to me." Matthew 25:37, 40


Bulletin submissions for **Sunday, April 7**
Are due by **Friday, March 29.**
bulletin@sjcnj.org

OUR PARISH 50/50 RAFFLE YOU MUST BE IN IT TO WIN IT!

Don't miss your chance to be a winner! The drawing for the winners will take place on Sunday, April 14. Fill out the form below and reserve your tickets now



St. Joseph Church 50/50 Raffle



\$50 per Ticket – 400 Tickets Max
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2nd Prize 15% of Gross Proceeds (up to \$3,000)
3rd Prize 10% of Gross Proceeds (up to \$2,000)
Net Proceeds to Benefit St. Joseph Church

Drawing – Sunday, April 14, 2024 at 1:00 PM
Mary's Grotto at St. Joseph Church - 300 Elm Street, Oradell NJ
Winner Need Not Be Present at Drawing
All payments must be received by April 10, 2024

Completed registration forms may be mailed, dropped off at the rectory office, or placed in the Church collection basket with a check made payable to:
St. Joseph Church, 105 Harrison Street, New Milford, NJ 07646
(Please note RAFFLE in Check Memo Line)

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St. Joseph Church 50/50 Raffle

License # RA-980

Registration Form

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone # _____ Email: _____

\$50 per Ticket
Payment must be received by April 10, 2024

Tickets _____ Amount Enclosed _____

Purchaser must be 18 yrs. or older & will receive ticket numbers via email
Questions? Contact Carol Winkler @ 201-967-9145

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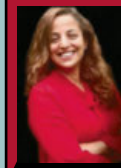
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