

Oradell/New Milford, NJ

Saint Joseph

Roman Catholic Church

Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time ~ February 9, 2025

FIFTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

They left everything
and followed Him.

Luke 5:11



PASTOR:
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
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.

5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men." When they brought their boats to the shore, they left everything and followed him. - Lk 5:10-11

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About:

Homebound/Hospital Visits

**Christian Initiation of
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Parish Registration

Please 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:

Patrick Valentino, Manuel Relucio, Soledad Relucio, Marie Pucher, Natasha Martinez Prosser, Annette Linder, William Gavigan, Angela Schimpf, Cian Dankin, Nicholas Porfillio, Jim Smith, Clara Ebertz, Barbara Gillen, Mary Vazquez

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.

Patricia Higney, Rosalie Berg, Patrick Kelly

Let us remember those serving in our military:

Capt. Harry Aquino USAF, 2LT Michael Kirwan USAF
Chaplain (Capt.) Father AJ De Silva USAR,
CWO2 Brian P. McCarthy USMC,
Capt. Christopher Bascomb, USAR

Saturday 5:00 pm	February 8, 2025 Mary B. Sweeney
Sunday 7:30 am 9:00 am 10:30 am 12:00 pm	February 9, 2025 People of the Parish Mairead McAteer Edward Ryby 2nd Anniversary Remembrance Cecilia Tumang
Monday 8:30 am	February 10, 2025 Matthew Ritter
Tuesday 8:30 am	February 11, 2025 Annora Rogers
Wednesday 8:30 am	February 12, 2025 Jane Murray Stasesir
Thursday 8:30 am	February 13, 2025 Erin Fedorko Living - Birthday Remembrance
Friday 8:30 am	February 14, 2025 Geraldine and Salvatore Caruso
Saturday 8:30 am 5:00 pm	February 15, 2025 Rita Lucille Hoey Birthday Remembrance Katherine Jacura
Sunday 7:30 am 9:00 am 10:30 am 12:00 pm	February 16, 2025 People of the Parish Wilbert and Ann Norton Mary DelBove 18th Anniversary Remembrance Dennis Melvin



BREAD & WINE INTENTION

The Bread and Wine
for the week of
February 9, 2025
Are Offered In Loving Memory Of
Frederick Young
Requested by New Hope, Inc.



SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTION

The Sanctuary Lamp
For the week of
February 9, 2025
Burns in the Upper Church
In Loving Memory Of
Mairead McInerney McAteer
1st Anniversary Remembrance
Requested by Mary and Eamon McCarthy

A note from Fr. Christian



If we take a step back and look at our life, I think we will find that we put our trust in a lot of things! When we read a textbook or reference work, we trust that the information presented is accurate and true. When we get in the car and drive to run some errands, we trust that the car will start and get us where we need to go. When we go to the grocery store and buy food, we trust that the label on the product actually shows what the product is and what is in the product! The list goes on and on...

Sometimes it can be so difficult to trust can't it? Especially when someone says those words, "trust me!" I'm sure many, if not all, of us can point to a moment in our lives when we trusted someone only to find that they were being dishonest. Betrayal is one of the most difficult things that any of us can experience; it can be very painful and even make us question whether we could trust anyone ever again. That being said, I am also sure that many of us have placed our trust in someone and everything turned out to be fine and wonderful! Our lives can be very complicated and feel like a roller coaster!

Consider the fishermen in the boat in today's Gospel. One could only imagine how exhausted and defeated they felt after being out all night desperately trying to bring in a good catch and coming up with nothing to show for all the hard work. Surely, Peter dug deep within himself to take that chance and lower the nets one more time at Jesus' prompting. Despite all the obstacles, Peter trusted in Jesus and it resulted in abundant blessings- a vast number of fish that they would never have thought they could catch.

Today, Jesus invites us to trust him just like those fishermen trusted him. Following Jesus can sometimes be challenging and maybe even scary at times because none of us can see the future! But the reality is that Jesus is fully trustworthy and would never ever lead us the wrong way. God has a plan for each one of us that is for our good! *"For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope"* (Jeremiah 29:11). When we follow the teachings and promptings of Christ, we can experience what it is like to be truly cared for and loved by someone who genuinely wants the best for us and who is always with us: Jesus Christ, Whom we love, worship, and adore.

***With prayer,
Fr. Christian***

CORNERSTONE CORNER

Anyone who has made Cornerstone at St. Joseph's Church or elsewhere is welcome!!

Women's Meeting Dates

Second Wednesday of the month at 7:30pm in the Retreat House
February 12, 2025

Men's Meeting Dates

Third Wednesday of the month at **7:30pm** in the Retreat House
February 19, 2025

Key Dates for both Men & Women

March 7- 8, 2025: WOMEN'S CORNERSTONE WEEKEND at Retreat House

March 21-22, 2025: MEN'S CORNERSTONE WEEKEND at Retreat House

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Volunteers are needed to help serve lunch at Eva's Village, located at 393 Main Street, in Paterson, NJ on **Tuesdays - February 18, March 18, April 22, and May 20.**

Approximate time commitment is 11:00 am- 1:30 pm. For more information, or if you are able to help, please call Tom Kelly at 201-657-4352.

Growing in Faith and Knowledge: Excerpts from the Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church

In this new section of the bulletin, we will highlight different teachings found in the Compendium, with the hope that it helps all of us to grow in basic knowledge of our faith, thereby leading us closer to Jesus!

Why does the human race form a unity?

All people form the unity of the human race by reason of the common origin which they have from God. God has made "from one ancestor all the nations of men" (*Acts 17:26*). All have but one Savior and are called to share in the eternal happiness of God.

How do the soul and body form a unity in the human being?

The human person is a being at once corporeal and spiritual. In man spirit and matter form one nature. This unity is so profound that, thanks to the spiritual principle which is the soul, the body which is material, becomes a living human body and participates in the dignity of the image of God.

Where does the soul come from?

The spiritual soul does not come from one's parents but is created immediately by God and is immortal. It does not perish at the moment when it is separated from the body in death and it will be once again reunited with the body at the moment of the final resurrection.

Excerpts are taken from the Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church as found on: https://www.vatican.va/archive/compendium_ccc/documents/archive_2005_compendium-ccc_en.html



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ANNUAL²⁰²⁵ APPEAL

The 2025 Annual Appeal has begun! Each year we are invited to participate in the Annual Appeal, which is an opportunity to support essential ministries and programs of our Archdiocese. Your sacrificial support makes it possible for us to carry out the important work that we are called to do as missionary disciples of Jesus.

Please consider participating in this year's Appeal to help make a significant difference in many lives within our Archdiocese.

Please make a gift online today by visiting rcan.org/sharing, scanning the QR code, or join us for In-Pew Weekend on March 1 and 2.



Saint Joseph Prayer Shawl Ministry will have its next meeting on **February 19, 2025** in the Parish Life Center. We warmly welcome new members who know how to knit or crochet.

Bulletin submissions for **Sunday, February 23**
Are due by **Friday, February 14.**
bulletin@sjcnj.org



Catholic Schools Week Celebrations



Building meaning connections and fostering a love for reading! Mrs. Asaro's 1st graders had a wonderful time reading stories with the Pre-K4 students. Watching the older students serve as role models while the youngest learners eagerly engaged with books was truly inspiring. Together, they're creating a foundation for a lifelong love of reading and learning.

Celebrating Catholic Schools Week with some Cross crafting fun! Pre-K 3A and the 2nd grade had the best time working together!



Catholic Schools
United in Faith and Community



Eat The Rainbow! A special visit from Michelle Las taught our little learners all about "Eating The Rainbow" - learning how fruits and veggies of every color help us grow big and strong. Healthy habits start young, and they had so much fun tasting and learning together.



Photos and captions provided by Saint Joseph School and The Greenhouse Instagram pages. Follow along at [sjs_usa](#) and [sjsgreenhouse](#).

Mr. Ferrara's 2nd grade class and Miss Lee's Kindergarteners embraced the joy of Lunar New year with fun crafts, stories and new traditions!



**Saint Joseph CYO Track & Field
Registration Is Now Open!**



Saint Joseph CYO Track & Field invites all parish boys and girls attending Saint Joseph School, or who are enrolled in the parish Religious Education classes (CCD) in grades K-8, to join!

Our exciting program provides an opportunity where children can learn fundamentals as well as develop competitively in track and field. Our program strives to provide a foundation where athletes participate, challenge themselves, and have fun.

Running events offered usually include 50M, 100M, 200M, 400M, 800M, 1600M, & relays. Field events may include long jump, broad jump, shotput, discus and/or turbo javelin. Practices are typically held Tuesday & Friday at 6pm at Bergen Catholic and there are generally 3-5 track meets in which our team will compete.

Parents/volunteers are welcome to assist as coaches or help out at track meets.

The registration fee is \$80 per athlete.

For additional information on the track program, volunteering or registration please email Mike Smith at msmitty2004@aol.com. Registration forms and payments can be dropped off at the Saint Joseph lower school office no later than **March 21st**.



**ST. PATRICK'S
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SCAN ME
All students must be accompanied by an adult.
Tickets purchased at the door will be \$20.



Saints Cyril and Methodius (Feb. 14) were Byzantine brothers who are revered as the "Apostles to the Slavs" for their crucial role in bringing Christianity to the Slavic peoples and laying the foundation for Slavic literacy and culture. They developed the Glagolitic alphabet, translated religious texts into Old Church Slavonic, and established a Slavic liturgy, paving the way for the spread of Christianity and the development of distinct Slavic cultures and languages. (Wikipedia)

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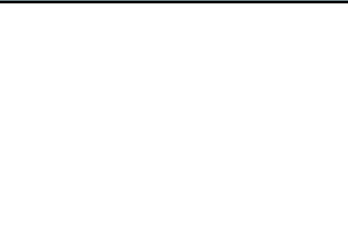
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