

Oradell/New Milford, NJ

# Saint Joseph

## Roman Catholic Church

First Sunday Of Lent ~ March 9, 2025

FIRST SUNDAY  
OF LENT  
"Him alone shall you  
serve"  
Luke 4:8



**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.

# 1st Sunday

O F L E N T

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days, to be tempted by the devil. - Lk 4:1-2a

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**For More Information About:**

Homebound/Hospital Visits

Christian Initiation of Adults / RCIA

Parish Registration

Please Contact Parish Office

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



## St. Joseph Church Fish Fry

Enjoy a delicious Fish & Chips takeout meal while supporting St. Joseph Church during our Lenten Fundraiser! Pre-order your meal and pick it up at your convenience.

*Provided by Tastefully British*

### Event Details:

Friday, March 28, 2025 from 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM

St. Joseph Church Parking Lot : 300 Elm St, Oradell, NJ 07649

Fish & Chips: \$20.00 per meal

#### Order Details **Place your orders by Wednesday, March 26, 2025**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Pickup Time:

- 5:30 PM     5:45 PM     6:00 PM     6:15 PM  
 6:30 PM     6:45 PM     7:00 PM     7:15 PM  
 7:30 PM

Number of Meals: \_\_\_\_\_ (\$20.00 per meal)

#### Payment Options

- Cash (at pickup)                       Check (payable to St. Joseph Church)



If you are not ordering online, return this form to the St Joseph parish rectory at: 105 Harrison Street, New Milford, NJ 07646 by Wednesday, March 26, 2025

**Thank you for supporting St. Joseph Church!**

Questions? Contact David Bednarcik at (551) 804-8839 or email: [dbednarcik@gmail.com](mailto:dbednarcik@gmail.com)

*A note from Fr. Christian*



I am truly amazed that we are already in the Season of Lent! Lent is a time for us to look deep within ourselves and to open ourselves to the grace of Jesus in a special way. Each Lent, we undoubtedly hear about the practices of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving,

each of which special in their own right, but when practiced together, can help us to really move deeper into our spiritual life. Lent can be a really challenging time... after all, we live in a world of “instant gratification” and our Lenten practices really are about denying ourselves and looking to love and serve others more like Jesus did.

It all starts when we make the decision, right now at the beginning of the Season, to make this Lent different from the past. Perhaps we’ve set out to give up something or do something extra during Lent before and found that we weren’t able to fully keep the commitment. Or maybe in the past we’ve chosen to do or forgo something that is “easy” for us instead of picking something that’s more challenging. Whatever our past experiences of Lent have been... THIS time we have a chance to really do something special and keep our commitment to God.

**One powerful way to start the Season off right is to take the opportunity to make a good Confession:** to allow God’s forgiveness to enter into our lives in a profound and transformative way. God is gentle, loving and kind- waiting to bestow his mercy upon us when we acknowledge our sins in the light of His love and turn to him for forgiveness. Jesus always welcomes us with open arms. **We will have a Lenten Penance Service this coming Monday, March 10 beginning at 7pm** with many priests joining us to help. This is a great opportunity for deep healing at the start of Lent and I hope many can join us!

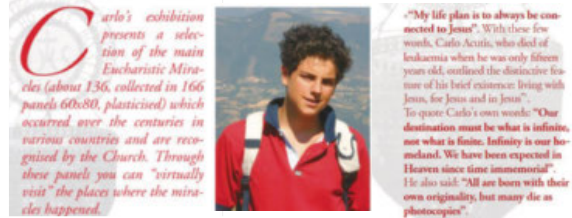
As an aside, this Lent we were blessed with the opportunity to have a take-out style Fish Fry on a **FRIDAY in Lent** by *Tastefully British* on **Friday, March 28th!** Orders may be placed online using the QR code on the form in the bulletin or by dropping off the completed form with payment in an envelope marked “Fish Fry” at the Rectory office or in the collection basket at Mass. Orders are due by Wednesday, March 26, 2025.

As always, thank you all for the love, support, and devotion that you share with our parish community!

*With Prayer,  
Fr. Christian*



Coming to St. Joseph Parish on March 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> 2025



In the entire history of the Catholic Church, there have been numerous Eucharistic miracles approved by the Catholic Church as truly worthy of belief. The Vatican Eucharistic Miracles Photographic Exhibition faithfully recounts for us many well documented miraculous occurrences. Knowledge of these miracles strengthens our faith in Christ and His Church. They are visible proof of Jesus Christ’s Real Presence in the Holy Eucharist. The Exhibit was created by Blessed Carlo Acutis, a 15 year old from Milan, Italy who was Beatified on October 10, 2020 and will be Canonized on Sunday, April 27, 2025.

**Saint Joseph Youth Ministry will host this exhibit, which includes the relic of Carlos Acutis.**

**Where:** Saint Joseph PLC 268 Grove Street, Oradell  
**When:** 3/22/25 4pm-7pm, 3/23/25 8am-2pm

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Immediate Opening:  
Saint Joseph School seeks a 5th Grade teacher to finish the 2024 - 2025 school year.

Interested candidates should send resume to: [valentip@sjsusa.org](mailto:valentip@sjsusa.org)

**PLEASE NOTE!**

The monthly Parish Adoration has been moved to **Wednesday, March 12** because of Ash Wednesday.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT**

Saint Joseph Church will offer the Stations of the Cross in Church, every Friday during Lent at 7:00 pm. You are invited to attend.

**LOCAL LENTEN PENANCE SERVICES**

- Monday, March 10 @ 7:00 pm - St. Joseph, Oradell**
- Monday, March 24 @ 7:00 pm - St. Mary, Dumont
- Saturday, March 29 @ 12:00 pm - St. John, Bergenfield
- Monday, March 31 @ 7:00 pm - St. Therese, Cresskill
- Monday, April 7 @ 7:00 pm - St. Peter, River Edge



**PRAYER REQUESTS**

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

William Gavigan, Angela Schimpf, Cian Dankin, Nicholas Porfillio, Jim Smith, Clara Ebertz, Barbara Gillen, Michael Relucio, Patrick Valentino, Ed Grube, Bill Schmalz, Emma Campos-Navarro, Joseph Ardolino, Ed Barrow

*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.*

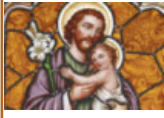
**Let us remember all those who have died.**

Jim Smith, Edward Rivera, Peter Spano

**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**      **March 8, 2025**  
5:00 pm      Judene Maron Baglieri
- Sunday**        **March 9, 2025**  
7:30 am      Rita Gallagher  
9:00 am      Lourdes DeLeon  
10:30 am     Florence Horgan  
12:00 pm     Anne Predonzai
- Monday**       **March 10, 2025**  
8:30 am      Frei Thomas Jones, OFM  
                    3rd Anniversary Remembrance
- Tuesday**      **March 11, 2025**  
8:30 am      Florence Horgan Skevin
- Wednesday**   **March 12, 2025**  
8:30 am      Patricia McGuire  
                    3rd Anniversary Remembrance
- Thursday**     **March 13, 2025**  
8:30 am      Jeff McCartney
- Friday**         **March 14, 2025**  
8:30 am      Deceased Members Of The  
                    Mendes and DaSilva Families
- Saturday**      **March 15, 2025**  
8:30 am      Amy Supino  
5:00 pm      Deceased Members Of  
                    The McCann Family
- Sunday**        **March 16, 2025**  
7:30 am      People Of The Parish  
9:00 am      Gerald Burns  
10:30 am     Susan DeRosa  
12:00 pm     John T. and Marie Flieger



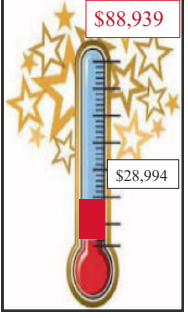

There will be a special Mass celebrating the Patronal Feast Day of Saint Joseph on Wednesday, March 19, 2025 at 7:30 PM

**ANNUAL APPEAL**


We are grateful to share that we have already received \$28,994 in pledges. Thank you to all who have given so generously. Your support of the 2025 Annual Appeal helps sustain the mission of Christ in our Archdiocese.

Our goal of \$88,939 can only be reached through your generosity and sacrifice. If you have not yet made your gift, we invite you to prayerfully consider doing so. To make an online gift, please visit [rcan.org/sharing](http://rcan.org/sharing).


Thank you for your prayers, your generosity, and your faithful support of our Catholic mission. May God bless you.

“BE WITH ME, LORD, WHEN I AM IN TROUBLE”  
Psalm 91



**BREAD & WINE INTENTION**  
The Bread and Wine  
for the week of  
**March 9, 2025**  
Are Offered In Loving Memory Of  
**Dominic Romano**  
Requested by The Holmes Family



**SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTION**  
The Sanctuary Lamp  
For the week of  
**March 9, 2025**  
Burns in the Upper Church  
In Loving Memory Of  
**Jack Duddy**  
Requested by The Spiniello Family

**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!

**How is the Good News spread?**

From the very beginning the first disciples burned with the desire to proclaim Jesus Christ in order to lead all to faith in him. Even today, from the loving knowledge of Christ there springs up in the believer the desire to evangelize and catechize, that is, to reveal in the Person of Christ the entire design of God and to put humanity in communion with him.

**What is the meaning of the name "Jesus"?**

Given by the angel at the time of the Annunciation, the name "Jesus" means "God saves". The name expresses his identity and his mission "because he will save his people from their sins" (*Matthew* 1:21). Peter proclaimed that "there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we can be saved" (*Acts* 4:12).

**Why is Jesus called "Christ"?**

"Christ" in Greek, "Messiah" in Hebrew, means the "anointed one". Jesus is the Christ because he is consecrated by God and anointed by the Holy Spirit for his redeeming mission. He is the Messiah awaited by Israel, sent into the world by the Father. Jesus accepted the title of Messiah but he made the meaning of the term clear: "come down from heaven" (*John* 3:13), crucified and then risen, he is the Suffering Servant "who gives his life as a ransom for the many" (*Matthew* 20:28). From the name Christ comes our name of *Christian*.

*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](https://www.vatican.va/archive/compendium_ccc/documents/archive_2005_compendium-ccc_en.html)*



**Nannina Santomauro  
Collects for the SJCC for her  
Girl Scout Silver Award Project!**



Nannina Santomauro of Cadette Girl Scout Troop 97200 selected the SJCC for her Girl Scout Silver Award project. Nannina, pictured to the right, collected products and monetary donations which were used to purchase many cartons of diapers & pull-ups. Diapers are the number one item requested by the organizations the SJCC supports. The SJCC is grateful for the support of our local Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts who keep our care corner stocked.

**Thank you Nannina – well done!**

The SJCC is always ready to accept your donations of non-perishable items such as diapers, wipes, laundry detergent, paper supplies, cleaning supplies, and all toiletries. The local organizations that we help are always looking for these items.

Please drop them in the bin marked SJCC on Grand Street. Questions: contact Peg Kohli [carecorner@sjcnj.org](mailto:carecorner@sjcnj.org) or 201-391-0224.

The support of the parish enables the SJCC to help so many – Thank you!



***It's all about lending a hand...***

# FOOD DRIVE

Saturday, March 15, 2025  
**9:30AM - 3:00PM**

**Volk-Leber Funeral Home parking lot**  
268 Kinderkamack Rd., Oradell



**Items most needed:**

- TUNA FISH / CANNED CHICKEN
- SOUPS
- CEREAL / OATMEAL / PANCAKE MIX
- PEANUT BUTTER /JELLY
- COFFEE/ TEA, BOXED MILK,
- CONDIMENTS / SALAD DRESSINGS
- TOILETRIES / PERSONAL CARE ITEMS
- DIAPERS / WIPES / PAPER PRODUCTS
- FEMININE HYGIENE PRODUCTS

**PLEASE NO CANNED VEGETABLES**

GROCERY STORE GIFT CARDS AND CASH ALSO  
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Club

### CORNERSTONE CORNER

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

**Key Dates for Men & Women**

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

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

**2025 K of C District 15 Free Throw Results**  
The KofC District 15 Free Throw Championship took place on Sunday February 23 at St John's in Leonia. The following winners will advance to compete in the Regional Free Throw Championship on March 22nd at St Mary's in Rutherford.

Girls

**Age 9 Mariella Ceylan**  
**Age 10 Alana Stabile**  
**Age 13 Ava Stabile**

Congratulations to all the competitors from St. Joseph/ Ascension KofC Council 3814



**Saint Joseph Prayer Shawl Ministry** will have its next meeting on **March 19, 2025** which is the **Feast of Saint Joseph** from **11 am to 1 pm**, in the Parish Life Center. We warmly welcome new members who know how to knit or crochet.



**PARISH COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITY**  
Volunteers are needed to help serve lunch at Eva's Village, located at 393 Main Street, in Paterson, NJ on **Tuesdays - 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.

**LIVE THE LITURGY**  
Inspiration of the Week  
Jesus is desperately hungry when the devil tells Him to turn stone into bread. But His divine will is stronger than the weakness of His human body, and He resists the devil. In this season of fasting and self-denial, let's remember Jesus' strength. (LPi)

Bulletin submissions for **Sunday, March 23**  
Are due by **Friday, March 14.**  
[bulletin@sjcnj.org](mailto:bulletin@sjcnj.org)

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Our Mission



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**Electronic/Online Giving** is a convenient method of making your Sunday offertory to the church. For more information or to sign up, you can visit [sjcnj.org](http://sjcnj.org) and click on the **Donate** tab.

**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. You can also contact the parish office for more details.

To View Our  
Community



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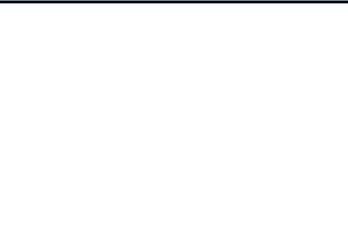
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