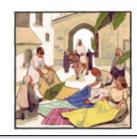
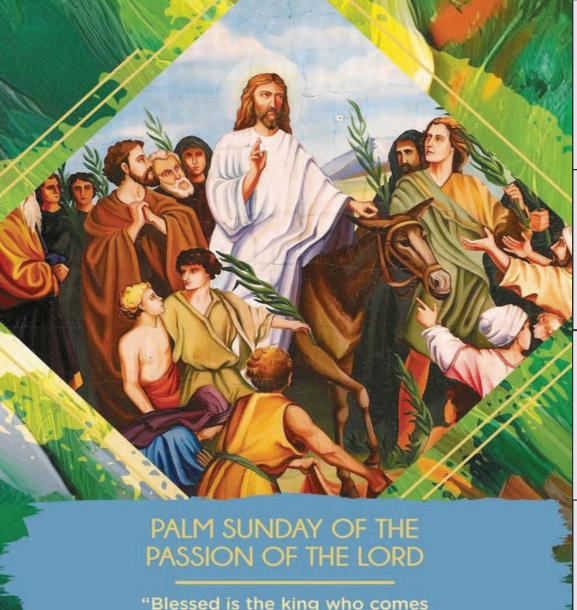


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Roman Catholic Church

Palm Sunday Of The Passion Of The Lord ~ April 13, 2025





"Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord." - Lk 19:38

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD. @LPi

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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.

For More Information About:

Homebound/Hospital Visits

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults / OCIA

Parish Registration

Please Contact Parish Office

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



Saturday April 12, 2025

5:00 pm Nicholas and Rosina Merlino

Sunday April 13, 2025 7:30 am People of the Parish

9:00 am Carmelo and Annunziata D'Alessandro

10:30 am Connie and Paul Spiniello

12:00 pm Anne Marie Gargiulo

Monday April 14, 2025 8:30 am Zora Kipel

Tuesday April **15, 2025** 8:30 am John Quiterio

Wednesday April 16, 2025

8:30 am Mr. and Mrs. John Wagner

Thursday April 17, 2025

7:30 pm Mass of the Lord's Last supper

Following the Mass, Church remains

open for adoration

10:00 pm Concluding night prayer

Friday April 18, 2025 (No Masses)

9:00 am Morning Prayer

3:00 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Saturday April 19, 2025 9:00 am Morning Prayer

8:15 pm Vigil

Sunday
7:30 am
9:00 am
10:30 am
People Of The Parish
Nicholas Frikker
Herman Mueller

12:00 pm Cresenciana and Gregorio DeLuna

"My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?"
Psalm 22



BREAD & WINE INTENTION

The **Bread and Wine** for the week of **April 13, 2025**

Are Offered In Loving Memory Of Carmine and Ursalina DeRosa

Requested by Phil DeRosa

PRAYER REQUESTS

Let us remember all those who are ill:

Clara Ebertz, Barbara Gillen, Michael Relucio, Patrick Valentino, Ed Grube, Bill Schmalz, Emma Campos-Navarro, Joseph Ardolino, Elaine Moran, Ciril Kearney, Manuel Relucio, Annette Linder, Guillermo Valencia, Cian Dankin

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.

Kenneth Callaghan, Carol Bell, Peter D'Souza

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, LCpl Joseph Rabanal (USMCR)

PLEASE NOTE

There will be NO NOVENA on Monday, April 14



Saint Joseph Parish Office will be closed on Good Friday, April 18, and Easter Monday, April 21.

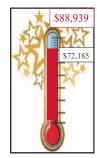
ANNUAL²⁰²⁵APPEAL

To date 129 families have pledged a total of \$72,185 which is 81.16% of our assigned parish goal of \$88.939.

PLEASE HELP US REACH OUR GOAL

The Parish needs \$16,754 more in pledges in order for the parish to qualify for a 2% reduction in our annual Archdiocesan Assessment. This is a savings of

approximately \$18,000 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.





A note from Fr. Christian



Holy Week is finally here and we begin the journey with the celebration of Palm Sunday, that day when Jesus triumphantly entered into Jerusalem and was greeted with crowds of people waving and laying palm

branches before Him. The palms were outward displays of praise and honor that were used to welcome victorious kings home and indeed, the act of the people of ancient Jerusalem waving palms before Jesus was a foreshadowing of the victory that Christ would accomplish by His death and Resurrection.

We gather today, as we do each week, to give praise, glory, and honor to God. But today is a bit different. Like the people of old, we too carry palm branches in our hands. We look to the future with hope for the salvation that Christ brought by offering Himself on the Cross. We long for that day where we will indeed see the Lord Jesus face to face and experience true peace, love, and joy.

This truly is **the most sacred time** of our Church year and I would like to encourage all of us to intentionally take some time to savor and experience it. Listen to the reading of the Passion today and on Good Friday and recognize the depths of Jesus' love for us in offering Himself on the Cross. Set aside some time to walk with Him by reading the Gospels at home. Strongly consider joining us for the liturgies of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil!

Of course Holy Week is special by its own accord because the very important days that we celebrate are central to our faith. These days, however, will have an even more profound impact on us if we **deliberately set time aside to experience them** not just as part of another week where we continue our normal routines, but rather as a privileged week where we put Jesus and our Catholic Faith front and center in our lives.

May God bless all of us as we embark on this truly beautiful journey together.

With Prayer for a Blessed Holy Week, Fr. Christian

2025 HOLY WEEK / EASTER SCHEDULE

Saint Joseph Church 300 Elm Street, Oradell, NJ

Individual Reconciliation

During Holy Week
Monday, April 14, Tuesday, April 15
and Wednesday, April 16
Immediately following the 8:30 am Mass each day.

Holy Thursday, April 17

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, April 18

Morning Prayer 9:00 am Celebration of the Lord's Passion 3:00 pm Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm

Holy Saturday, April 19

Morning Prayer 9:00 am followed by Blessing of Food Easter Vigil 8:15 pm

Easter Sunday, April 20

7:30 am, 9:00am, 10:30 am and 12 noon *All Masses are in the Upper Church.*

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 27 at 2:00 PM in Mary's Chapel. Devotions will include Adoration, Confession and the Divine Mercy Prayers.

Adult Sacraments

Do you know an unbaptized adult who wants to be learn more about the Catholic faith?

"OCIA" (the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) is a process of welcome and exploration open to any adult, which prepares adults to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation. Please contact Melinda at ocia@sicnj.org for more information, and to learn if this might be the time for you to start the OCIA journey and grow closer to Jesus. If you are interested and ready, we will be celebrating the Rite for Entrance into the Catechumenate before May 4, 2025, to prepare for full initiation at the Easter Vigil in 2026. Please reach out as soon as possible so we can start the conversation.

Easter Flowers 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.

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 - 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.



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 2025!

These anniversary liturgies will take place in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark on June 1, 2025 at 3:00 PM

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.

2025 -2026 School Year opening: SIS seeks a full-time teacher for fifth grade. Salary commensurate with certification and experience. Send resume to: valentip@sjsusa.org



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, March 9, through **Saturday, April 19,** 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 (1) your name, (2) Shop Rite Price Plus number and (2) your telephone 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!



PALM SUNDAY FOOD DRIVE AT SAINT JOSEPH **APRIL 12-13**

THIS WEEK!

Our **Palm Sunday Food Drive** will take place on Saturday, April 12, and Sunday, April 13. 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** most needed.

Apple Sauce Baby Food Baked Beans Mavonnaise Beans (dried or canned) **Beef Stew (Canned)**

Bread Crumbs Brownie Mix Canned Chicken Canned Mushrooms Canned Peaches & Pears Canned Spinach Canned Tuna Fish Canned White Potatoes

Cereal:

Cheerios - Regular Cheerios - Honey Nut Corn Flakes

Raisin Bran **Rice Krispies**

Chef-Boy-R-Dee (ANY)

Chili

Coffee - Reg & Decaf

Cookies **Crackers**

Deodorant - Women's Diapers - Sizes 4,5,6 **Diapers - PULLUPS**

Dishwashing Liquid

Egg Noodles **Flour**

Jello / Pudding Juice - Apple Juice-Cranberry Juice - Grape

Ketchup

Laundry Detergent Mac and Cheese

Milk (powdered/canned)

Mustard **Napkins** Pancake Mix Pancake Syrup **Paper Towels** Pasta & Pasta Sauce **Peanut Butter**

Potatoes - Instant (boxed)

Raisins Razors

Rice - Brown & Instant

Salad Dressings Sauerkraut

Shampoo & Conditioner

Shaving Cream Soap - BARS **Soups - BEEF** Soups - Beef Broth **Soups - Chicken Broth Soups - Tomato** Soups - Vegetable

SPAM Sugar

Salt/Pepper/Etc. Tea (Hot)

Tea (Iced Tea Mix)

Tissues Toilet Paper Toothbrushes 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 April 12-13 or 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!

"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

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!

What is the meaning of the expression "conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit..."?

This expression means that the Virgin Mary conceived the eternal Son in her womb by the power of the Holy Spirit without the cooperation of a man. The angel told her at the Annunciation that "the Holy Spirit will come upon you" (*Luke* 1:35).

"...Born of the Virgin Mary": Why is Mary truly the Mother of God?

Mary is truly the *Mother of God* because she is the Mother of Jesus (*John* 2:1, *John* 19:25). The One who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and became truly her Son is actually the eternal Son of God the Father. He is God himself.

What does the "Immaculate Conception" mean?

God freely chose Mary from all eternity to be the Mother of his Son. In order to carry out her mission she herself was *conceived immaculate*. This means that, thanks to the grace of God and in anticipation of the merits of Jesus Christ, Mary was preserved from original sin from the first instant of her conception.

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

Saint Joseph Prayer Shawl Ministry will have its final meeting on **May 21, 2025** from **11 am to 1pm**, in the Parish Life Center. Patty Killeen, a long standing member, recently accepted a shawl to present to someone she knows who is battling cancer and going through radiation therapy.



God Bless Samantha May Santomarco, Baptized March 29, 2025



Parents are Tom and Lisa Santomarco. Godparents are

(Aunt) Mary-Elizabeth Wren and (Cousin) Billy Dwyer. Celebrant was (Great Uncle) Monsignor Robert Fuhrman, Pastor of St. Philomena's, Livingston NJ. Mom Lisa, Aunt Mary-Elizabeth, and



Grandmother Rosemary Fuhrman are all St. Joseph School graduates, were each Baptized, and married at St. Joseph's. Charlie, Samantha's brother, was Baptized at St. Joseph's as well.

(Photos provided by John Fuhrman)

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RUMORS by Neil Simon

Senior Citizen Preview - Wed. May 7 at 3pm (Reception at 2:15 - use Gym entrance)

Fri. May 9 at 7pm

Sat. May 10 at 2pm and 7pm

Sun. May 11 at 2pm

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The Oradell Free Public Library Foundation is pleased to announce a special concert on May 3, at 1:00 from performers of the New York Metropolitan Opera including Sopranos Kate Mangiameli and Sara Heaton, Mezzo-Soprano Elizabeth Sciblo, Tenor Jeremy Little, Bass-Baritone Mark Uhlemann and Pianist David Moody. This unique opportunity is offered at a fraction of the cost of the usual ticket price (with free parking and no congestion pricing) while also benefiting the Oradell Free Public Library Foundation. The program includes selections from *Oedipus, Le* Nozze di Figaro, The Magic Flute, Cosi fan tutte, Carmen, La Traviata, La Boheme, as well as musical numbers from Rodgers and Hammerstein. Tickets will make a lovely gift for your family and friends! For more information, please call 201-262-2613

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S CORNERSTONE CORNER

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

Meet in the Retreat House

WOMEN:

Monthly meetings - 2nd Wednesday of month -7:30pm

MEN:

Monthly meetings - 3rd Wednesday of month -7:30 pm **MEN & WOMEN:**

May 21 at 7:30: Commitment Service in Mary's Chapel



The New Milford Women's Club is hosting a Springtime Bingo Bash on Fri. May 2 at the Armenian Brotherhood/St. Matthew's Church at 225 Center St. New Milford, NJ. Doors open at 6pm, Bingo starts at 7pm. Your donation of \$25 (advance purchase only) per ticket includes a dauber and a 4game packet for 9 games, 15 gift card raffle tickets, door prize, coffee, tea and refreshments. Cash prizes for Bingo winners, 50/50, and gift card raffle. Proceeds will enable the Women's Club to continue to support the community. For tickets, email janetd1014@aol.com

Bulletin submissions for **Sunday, April 27**Are due by **Friday, April 18**.

To Support Our Mission



Electronic Giving

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 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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