



Saint Joseph

Roman Catholic Church

Oradell/New Milford, NJ

Twenty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time ~ August 30, 2026



22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it." - Mt 16:24b-25

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Rev. Christian G. Scalo

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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
Mondays, immediately
following the 8:30 AM Mass

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 5:00 pm	August 29, 2026 Elizabeth Belthoff
Sunday 7:30 am 9:00 am 10:30 am 12:00 pm	August 30, 2026 People of the Parish Caruso and McPherson Families Angelo Bartolomeo Birthday Remembrance Timothy Smith
Monday 8:30 am	August 31, 2026 Anna Lomangino
Tuesday 8:30 am	September 1, 2026 Thomas Gavin
Wednesday 8:30 am	September 2, 2026 Sharon Alicea 5 th Anniversary Remembrance
Thursday 8:30 am	September 3, 2026 Janet Luyke
Friday 8:30 am	September 4, 2026 Victoriano Posadas
Saturday 8:30 am 5:00 pm	September 5, 2026 Kevin Moran Timothy Smith
Sunday 7:30 am 9:00 am 10:30 am 12:00 pm	September 6, 2026 People of the Parish Richard Collins Ornello Bernardi Harry Chantikian

Please Note!

The Rectory Office will be closed on
Monday, September 7 for Labor Day

My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.
Psalm 63



BREAD & WINE INTENTION

The Bread & Wine
for the week of
August 30, 2026
Is Offered

For The Honor and Glory of God

PRAYER REQUESTS

Let us remember all those who are ill:

Gregorio Sforza, Cian Dankin, Ed Grube, Bill Schmalz,
Baby Miles McQuaid, Annette Linder, Kristen Majersky,
Mary Vazquez, Patrick Valentino, Barbara Gillen,
Baby Holly Natalizio, Teddy Favret (child),
Roger Polefko, Ivana Joy Kunc, Ruth Ann Harnek,
Fr. Anthony Di Stefano, Evelyn Mendoza-Sarabia

Names of individuals added to this list will be read aloud at Mass for two consecutive weeks and then listed here for three months. If you would like to add a person here 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.

Let us remember those serving in our military:

Capt. Harry Aquino USAF, 2LT Michael Kirwan USAF
Chaplain (Capt.) Father AJ De Silva USAR,
C W O 2 Brian P. McCarthy USMC,
Capt. Christopher Bascomb, USAR,
LCpl Joseph Rabanal, USMCR,
SGT. Jason Glenn, US Army

Earthquake Relief

Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin has asked the parishes of the Archdiocese of Newark to prayerfully and generously support those affected by the devastating earthquakes in Venezuela, Colombia and Indonesia.

Please make donations directly to Catholic Relief Services at crs.org.

You can also mail your donation to Catholic Relief Services, P.O. Box 5278, Tipton, IA, 52772-0517.

"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@sjcnj.org for more information.



Saint Joseph School seeks the following part-time openings for the 2026-2027 school year:



Spanish Teacher for grades PreK-8

Teacher Assistants for the PreK program. Please send letter of interest and credentials to: celestinec@sjsusa.org.

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 - September 22, October 20, November 24, and December 22**. 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.

Liturgical Life

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

To Carry the Cross

Carry the cross? Absolutely. I'm happy to! Hand it over. Here's the thing: I just might...set it down for a second, from time to time. That's okay, right?

How else am I supposed to have both hands free to gesture in anger? I can't do that if I'm carrying the cross. Well, fine, then let me just shift its weight, so I can catch my breath and say what I think about this person who's got it all wrong — I'll just lean it against the wall here. No? Okay, fine, I won't put it down! I'll keep holding it. That's better, actually. Then I can use it as a weapon.

What? Am I doing this "Christian" thing wrong?

"Whoever wishes to save his life will lose it," Jesus tells us in today's Gospel. "But whoever loses his life for my sake will find it."

This is not an affirmation of the paradox that if you no longer care about something, you can finally have it once and for all. It's not a judgment about the worthlessness of life in this fallen world or the futility of trying to preserve that life.

It's merely a statement about priorities.

When Peter says, "God forbid!" at the thought of suffering, God is not his priority. His own safety is.

When I say, "God forbid!" at anything that comes from the mouth of God, it's a reminder to look at my hands — because they've probably put down the cross.

How merciful is our Lord — he never takes my cross from me, even when I walk far away from it. He always lets me pick it back up. In his dear and sweet goodness, he even helps me lift its weight. And he gestures, in case I've forgotten: "This way. Follow me."

— Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that?

Catholic Life Explained

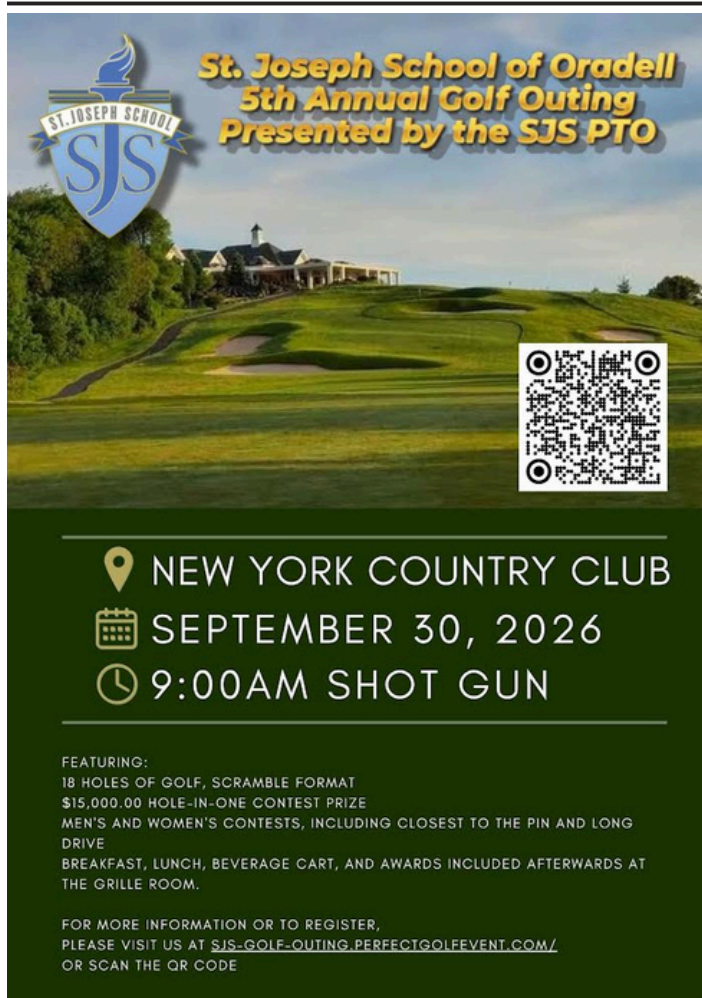
Question:

Why do priests wear vestments?
Do they have a special meaning?

Answer:

Vestments are clothes worn for a specific purpose. Priests will joke that they cover a thousand flaws. But our own manner of dress often corresponds to what we do. We dress up for special occasions and for special guests. We wear certain clothes for golf, for outdoor activities, and years ago, we even had our "Sunday best" clothes we wore just for Church. Vestments are much the same, and each one has a meaning. The alb is a reminder of the baptismal garment. The stole is a symbol of ordained ministry and authority within the Church. The chasuble reminds us that we are on a pilgrimage of faith, passing through this life towards heaven.

Priests wear vestments for two basic reasons. First, they draw attention to the importance and solemnity of the act of worship. The color of the vestments indicates the season of the year or the feast being celebrated. Secondly, vestments draw attention to what the priest does, rather than who he is. In the celebration of the Mass, the focus is on what we do together, on our common unity, and on the mystery and person of Christ.



St. Joseph School of Oradell
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 OR SCAN THE QR CODE



SAVE THE DATE!

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CARNIVAL
2026

Join us the weekend of
OCTOBER 2, 3, 4!

MORE INFORMATION
★ COMING SOON! ★



EARLY DEADLINE FOR SEPTEMBER 13 BULLETINS!

If you have celebrated a special event at our Parish and would like to share a photo and caption to be added to our bulletin, please reach out! Bulletin announcements should be sent to bulletin@sjcnj.org. All bulletin submissions for the **SUNDAY, SEPT. 13** bulletin, are due by **TUESDAY, SEPT. 2**.

Reflections for the Week

First Reading:

Jeremiah wrestles with an inner struggle to proclaim the word of the Lord that comes to him. Who helps you work through distress or anxiety?

Second Reading:

Paul challenges believers not to conform to the present age but be transformed by the renewal of their minds. What in our "present age" needs to be avoided?

Gospel:

Peter does not want to accept Jesus' destiny as the Messiah who suffers greatly and dies. How do you process difficult news or information?

SAVE THE DATE!!!

St. Joseph's Church Parish Fundraiser



Date: Oct 24, 2026

Time: 6:30-9:30p

Location: SJS gym

Tickets: \$40 per person

Join us for a fun-filled evening and watch our entertainers battle it out behind the pianos! This is a high-energy, all-request, sing-along show where the audience is just as much a part of the night.



For questions contact

David Bednarcik

551-804-8639

DEBednarcik@gmail.com

BYO food & drink

More info & registration to follow

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

In this section of the bulletin, we 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 sacramental grace?

Sacramental grace is the grace of the Holy Spirit which is given by Christ and is proper to each sacrament. This grace helps the faithful in their journey toward holiness and so assists the Church as well to grow in charity and in her witness to the world.

What is the relationship between the sacraments and everlasting life?

In the sacraments the Church already receives a foretaste of eternal life, while “awaiting in blessed hope, the appearing in glory of our great God and saviour Christ Jesus” (Titus 2:13).

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



FUEL Kayaking: FUEL went kayaking at the Flatwater Paddle Co in Ringwood on August 8



FUEL discusses the words of Robert Cardinal Sarah on August 21



ST JOSEPHS PARISH

Walking Together Towards Healing & Hope

We are discerning the launch of a new support ministry here at St. Joseph's for individuals and families whose lives have been touched by addiction.

As we begin this important work, we need your insight and your voice. Healing a community happens together, and your experience can help us shape a ministry that truly meets the needs of those who are suffering.

If you or someone you love has been affected by addiction—past or present—we invite you to share what kinds of support, accompaniment, or resources would help you feel seen, understood, and cared for. Your perspective will guide us as we build a ministry rooted in compassion, dignity, and hope

PLEASE SEND ANY SUGGESTIONS, QUESTIONS OR THOUGHTS TO WECARE@SJCNJ.ORG

The Knights of Columbus Hall located at 199 River Road in New Milford is available for rental for parties of all kinds. Go to kofc3814.org and click on “HALL RENTAL INFORMATION.” To book or for additional info, send an email to kofc3814@gmail.com

GRACE ANOINTING-Healing & Deliverance Service

At St. John the Evangelist Church
29 N. Washington Ave. Bergenfield, NJ 07621
Monday, Sept. 14, 2026 from 3:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Led by Fr. Dominic Valanmanal
Registration Link: <https://graceanointing.org/NJ1>

Albertus Magnus Open House Dates - 9/29/26 at 6:00 pm and 10/25/26 at 12:00 pm.

We warmly welcome families of 6th, 7th and 8th graders to our Open House event and invite you to explore the school's vibrant community, faith-centered mission, and academic excellence. Register at: Open House Registration

Luxury Bingo - 10/29/26 at 6:30 pm. The annual favorite is back! An AMazing night of Bingo, raffle baskets and fun. Open to all, bring your family, friends, neighbors and co-workers! Albertus Magnus High School 798 Route 304 Bardonia, NY 10954
www.albertusmagnus.net

Calling all 8th graders! Experience Don Bosco's Ironman for a Day!

Discover what it means to be an Ironman. Walk our halls, meet our students and teachers, experience a day on campus, and see firsthand what makes Don Bosco Prep so special. Open to 6th, 7th, and 8th graders, our Fall Open Houses are the perfect opportunity for families to explore our campus, learn about our academic programs, athletics and activities, and experience the traditions and brotherhood of Bosco.

Thursday, September 24 | 6:15-8:30 PM

Sunday, October 18 | 1:00-3:00 PM

Create your Admissions Portal and register for your visit today at donboscoprep.org.

Immaculate Heart Academy will be hosting its 2026 Fall Open Houses on Sunday, October 18, from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. and Thursday, October 22, from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Safe Environment Corner



Gaming Safety Tips For Families

Video games are a popular activity for many children. Since most games connect to the internet, it is important to help children use them safely.

- Check a game's rating before allowing your child to play.
- Use parental controls to manage content and online features.
- Keep gaming systems in a common area of the home.
- Remind children never to share personal information online.

By staying involved, parents can help children enjoy gaming in a safe and responsible way.

Anyone with knowledge of an act of sexual misconduct is asked to inform us so that we may take appropriate action to protect others and to provide support to victims of sexual abuse. Call the Coordinator for the office of Accompaniment in the Archdiocesan Department for the Protection of the Faithful at 201-407-3256.

Treasures Among Us: Celebrating and Honoring Grandparents

Grandparents, great-grandparents, and "grandparents-to-be" are invited to a Grandparents' Afternoon of Reflection in English and Spanish!

- Saturday, September 12, 2026, from 1:30-4:30 p.m. at the Archdiocesan Center in Newark.
- Celebrate the gift of faith through prayer, fellowship, and keynote addresses by Dr. Marylin Kravatz-Toolan in English and Deacon Asterio Velasco in Spanish.
- 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass and Blessing of Grandparents celebrated by Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, C.Ss.R. at the Cathedral Basilica in Newark.
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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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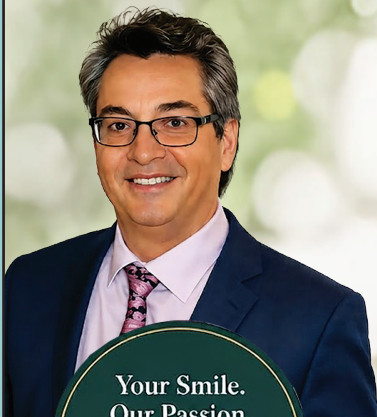


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