

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ST. JOSEPH

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Parish Office Hours

Monday thru Thursday: 8:30am - 6:00pm

Friday: 8:30 am- 3:00pm

If you cannot make our office hours, please call
and we will do our best to accommodate you.

We are closed Saturday and Sunday.

Parish Directory

Parish Office: 201.939.0457

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Parish Registration

Registration forms are available at the parish
office and at the parish web site.

Pastoral Care of the Sick

Please contact Parish Office for pastoral visits in
the hospital or at home. Pastoral ministers are
available to visit the sick and homebound.

We offer a warm welcome to all our guests &
newcomers! We at the Catholic Community of St.
Joseph are pleased to have celebrated liturgy
with you and we hope you will join us again.



Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00pm Vigil Mass

8:00pm to 9:30pm Neo-Catechumenal Mass

Sunday: 8:00am 10:00am 12:00 pm

Monday thru Friday

12:05pm

Civic Holidays—8:30am

Sacrament of Penance

Saturday — 11:00am - 12:00 Noon

Other times by appointment.

Sacrament of Baptism

Fourth Sunday of the month — 1:00pm

For information regarding baptisms
please contact the parish office.

Sacrament of Marriage

Plans are usually made one year in advance to
prepare for marriage. Please call the parish
office to schedule an appointment.

Devotions follow the 12:05 pm Mass

St. Anthony Novena—Every Tuesday

St. Joseph Novena—Every Wednesday

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament—Every
Thursday.

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – July 20, 2014

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



SATURDAY, July 19

5:00 pm + Enidio Abreu

SUNDAY, July 20

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am + Maureen Mucci

10:00 am + Anna Rosario

12:00 pm + Nikolas Didenko

NO 7:30 AM MASSES IN JULY OR AUGUST

MONDAY, July 21

St. Lawrence of Brindisi

12:05 pm + Peter Najawko

TUESDAY, July 22

St. Mary Magdalene

12:05 pm John De Pasquale (for healing)

WEDNESDAY, July 23

St. Bridget

12:05 pm + Ellen Harrison

THURSDAY, July 24

St. Sharbel Makhluf

12:05 pm + Dora Meunier

FRIDAY, July 25

St. James

12:05 pm Immacula Louis-Charles (Thanksgiving)

SATURDAY, July 26

5:00 pm + Mario Pedoto

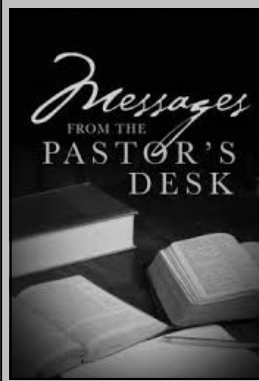
SUNDAY, July 27

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am + Helene M. Capone

10:00 am + Giovanni Ragazzino

12:00 pm + Nikolas Didenko



Dear Brothers and Sisters:

This week we hear a parable that complements the one of the Sower, from last week. The parables of the gospels need to rest in us before we can be fully conscious of their meaning for us today, and they have an importance for all of us. Did you notice that the explanation of the parable takes place back in the house? This shows a greater intimacy that Jesus Christ has with his disciples, and would like to have with us. He doesn't come to save the crowds but to save individuals, you and me. And we need to continue abiding in his presence in order to understand him, and his words on the Kingdom.

The disciples insist strongly on having Jesus explain the parable to them. They are really hungry for the truth. It is not superficiality or earthly concerns that distract them this week, but someone much more serious, the Devil, as Jesus tells to them.

This parable is very unique in two ways: first, that the identity of the seeds and the weeds is plainly told. The second surprise is the toleration of the evil growth of the weeds among the wheat. The Devil has to penetrate the field in the middle of the night, by stealth. And he does so only for one reason: to choke the wheat.

Jesus knows immediately who sowed the weeds and he knew it probably before the wheat was sown, and he sows anyway. After the damage is done he has a real concern for the wheat and forbids the slaves from pulling out the weeds. The servants have good intentions; however, they are wrong and are impatient to purge the field and the world from sin. It is easy for us to assume we are the pure ones, the ones with the light and yet why do we have this fear when we see evil in others? Jesus reminds them and us that their mission is to win disciples, and not to judge those around them, and not to be afraid. Let us do the same.



Loren Joe

The Acolyte Candles will burn this week
in Memory of **unborn children.**

The Wine & Host is offered this week in
Memory of **the sick of the parish.**

The Sanctuary Candle will burn this week
in Memory of **the people of the parish.**

ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL 2014 AAA

Our Goal is \$28,000.00

How We Are Doing:

Total pledged to date- \$ 23, 910.00

Number of Donors- 108

Many thanks to the Parishioners who gave
so generously to the AAA. Don't delay in
giving anything that you can to the
Archbishop's appeal.

Thank you for your generosity.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Last Sunday 778 people attended Mass.

Total Giving: \$ 7,510.00

1st Collection	\$ 5,310.00
Number of Envelopes 205	\$ 4,101.00
Cash Received	\$ 1,209.00
2nd Collection	\$ 2,200.00
Number of Envelopes 142	\$ 1,444.00
Cash received	\$ 756.00

ARCHDIOCESAN PARISH ASSESSMENT

The Lord will bless you
for your generosity!



THE PRAYER CORNER
*“Like burning incense, Lord,
let my prayer rise up to you.”*

As a community of faith, we offer the support
of our prayers for one another. These brothers
and sisters are in **acute** need of our prayers:

*Pat Paparella, Joseph Biamonte, Carlos Rivera,
Rosemary Montagna Landers, Rosa Ramirez,
Thomas Sanders, Justin Schaber, Stanley Sudol,
Gianna Dilemme, Lenore Papale, Daniel Leach,
Claire Palmieri, Joe DiGradina, Kathy Szedlacik,
Linda Judge, Bryan Consulmagno, Lourdes
Taveras, Geraldine Litter, Rich Hirsch, Franziska
Maria Taba Karu, Hasan Mahmood, Frank
Antonini, Lillian Danscuk, Beth Bodnar, Christine
Taueras, Lorna Schweer, Maybelle Desiongco,
Linda Berenger, Carolyn Novello, Dolores Pezzolla,
Eden Azor, Mike Moran, Deborah Ravettini, Jonna
Calvanico, Steve Danos, Don Stein, Nancy
Schumann, Trish Spittler, Ingrid Bayard, and all
who are sick and suffering around us.*

*(Please call the Parish Office @ 201-939-0457 if you
would like to add a name to our prayer list.)*

FOR OUR COURAGEOUS SOLDIERS

*“O Lord, we pray for all the national and world
leaders, for the safety and well being of all the
military personnel defending our freedom”*

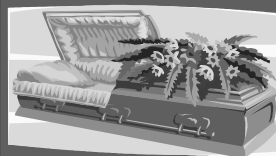
Michael Brockway (Afghanistan)

Lt. Patrick Stevens (Iraq 2nd tour)

Lance Corp. Kevin Murphy (Afghanistan)



RESTING IN THE LORD



Come, you who are
blessed by my Father,
says the Lord, inherit the
kingdom prepared for
you from the foundation of the world.



SOCIAL CONCERNS

"In truth I tell you, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me."

FOOD PANTRY

Hope you are well and enjoying this lovely summer weather.

We wish to acknowledge the continuous and generous contributions from the East Rutherford Library staff to the Food Pantry. The collection and delivery of these goods have made it easier to keep our shelves well stocked and the food itself has made a significant difference in the lives of the people we serve. Many, many thanks for your kindness.

Now that summer vacation is here, children are no longer receiving lunches in school. Anyone who feeds kids on a daily basis knows the enormous amount of food they can consume. Please help keep them fed this summer. Your donations are also enjoyed by seniors, veterans and others who are just down on their luck. If you feel so inclined, gift cards to Stop & Shop and/or Shop Rite (not to exceed \$25) are always appreciated. Just put them in an envelope clearly marked Food Pantry.

Right now we need: PASTA, PASTA SAUCE, CANNED FRUITS, ICED TEA, LEMONADE MIX, SHAMPOO, BAR SOAP, TOOTHPASTE, TOILET TISSUE

We do NOT need: FOODS THAT HAVE PASSED THE EXPIRATION DATE

In addition, kindly do NOT leave used clothes. We do not have the space or facilities to distribute them effectively. Please bring them to Angels' Attic or some other organization that distributes clothing. Again, deepest gratitude for your generosity. May his choicest blessings be yours!

ST. FRANCIS INN

During the month of **JULY**
we are collecting

POWDERED MILK.

Your donations may be left at the Giving Tree.

For information please visit

www.stfrancisinn.org[or] call Tony Pierantoni
201-933-4850.



CALENDAR SECTION

BAPTISMS

"In all truth I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born through water and the Spirit; what is born of human nature is human; what is born of the Spirit is Spirit."

BAPTISM DATES AND MEETINGS SCHEDULE

July

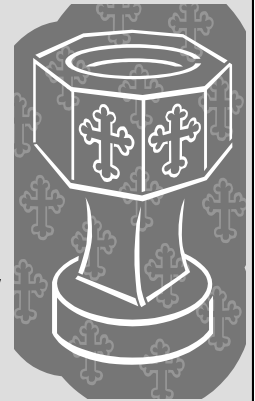
Baptism—July 27

Meetings— July 24

August

No baptisms

Meetings are held in the Rectory
at 7 PM on the dates listed.



EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS & LECTORS NEEDED

—*Rich Janusz*

After my wife died 17 years ago, I told Fr. Richard, the pastor, that I wanted to serve in the church. Well as it turned out I had one idea and standing true to form he had a different one. Since then I have served as a lector. We once had a good number of them and Eucharistic ministers. However, our numbers have dropped and we really need help here for both ministries, especially for lectors.

What is needed is the desire to please and serve God to help St Joseph's Church. Anyone with this desire can build the talent to read or publicly serve in the church with guidance from other ministers and by practicing. I've heard that some parishioners are afraid to serve because they are afraid of making mistakes. I think every new minister has had that same feeling. But those who decide to do it have trust in God to get past their fear. Mistakes are a part of life whether at home, work, school or church. As far as I'm concerned, God doesn't care about those, only about the desire to serve. For example we have good lectors who haven't done public speaking or Eucharistic ministers who never carried the chalice before. Yet they are no different from other parishioners and no one dwells on mistakes. We need help in these ministries and are asking for volunteers. If you are interested, please contact Fr. Joe at the parish office 201-939-0457 or at jastarita@gmail.com



CHURCH CHUCKLES

Take the time today to smile at someone who is hard to love. Say hell to someone who doesn't care much about you.



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — You taught your people that those who are just must likewise be kind (Wisdom 12:13, 16-19).

Psalm — Lord, you are good and forgiving (Psalm 86).

Second Reading — The Spirit comes to aid us in our weakness (Romans 8:26-27).

Gospel — Jesus proposes parables to the crowds, teaching them of the reign of God (Matthew 13:24-43 [24-30]).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8; Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 85:2-8; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Wednesday: Jer 1:1, 4-10; Ps 71:1-4a, 5-6ab, 15, 17; Mt 13:1-9

Thursday: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Ps 26:6-7ab, 8-11; Mt 13:10-17

Friday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1bc-6; Mt 20:20-28

Saturday: Jer 7:1-11; Ps 84:3-6a, 8a, 11; Mt 13:24-30

Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12; Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-130; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52 [44-46]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Monday: St. Lawrence of Brindisi

Tuesday: St. Mary Magdalene

Wednesday: St. Bridget

Thursday: St. Sharbel Makhlūf

Friday: St. James

Saturday: Ss. Joachim and Anne

NEW MUSIC BOOKS

The new hymnals, hard-covered and including the Sunday readings for the three year cycle, are here! The *Breaking Bread* song book will remain for some of our favorite songs.

A family or person can have a book dedicated in their name for a \$20 donation.

Book Dedication:

Submit to parish office

Please help us to keep the pews in order and to care for the new GIA music books. In most pews there is one hardbound music book per box, so place it horizontally in the box and it is easier to get in and out. When there are two hardbound books place them vertically.

The old *Breaking Bread* song books with the blue plastic covers should be placed in the corners of the pew; often there are four corners depending on the pew. If you see the white music handouts please throw them out, and any other papers, especially at the end of each mass. Thank You!

EXPRESS YOUR FAITH

By Making a Planned Gift of Kindness Today As the summer begins, consider giving a gift that will help the Church you love. There are many options through lifetime giving arrangements that may benefit you, your family and the Church. Lifetime giving complements your estate planning and often improves your current financial and tax situation. For more information, about making a gift to St. Joseph's Parish, please call the parish office. Thank you.

AUDITORIUM & CAFETERIA AVAILABLE

For family or group activities the school auditorium and cafeteria together or separate are available for renting. Please call the parish office for information. Thank you.



SUMMER CHOIR

Anyone who would like to get to be part of the choir during the summer break! Just walk on over to the music area in church at the 10am mass and we'll sit you down with some of our regular members who continue to come when they can around their vacation plans. You can just sing along with the melody or follow harmony parts provided. We have music ready just like we would during the year, and welcome children too (second grade or older). So if you have been considering joining the music ministry, or can't make that commitment during our regular year, now is the perfect opportunity to serve your parish.

St. Joseph Parish asks you to consider utilizing the many benefits of Electronic Giving through ParishPay.

EGiving provides you the opportunity to make prayerful, consistent gifts to our parish without using checks. Much in the same way you may use the Internet to pay your mortgage, car and other bill payments, you can now use the same technology to help you fulfill your stewardship intention to our church using electronic checks or credit cards. Parish Pay is completely safe and simple to use. We are pleased to be able to offer our parish family a greener, more convenient way to give. For more information, please visit www.ParishPay.com or pick up a commitment card after Mass. To learn more, please visit: ParishPay.com

Three Ways to Enroll:

Online » ParishPay.com | By Phone »

1-866-PARISH1 (727-4741) or by calling the parish office to pick up a parishioner commitment card.

Parishpay.com now allows you to make your contributions on line. You can do so on a one-time, weekly, monthly or annual basis. Simply go to parishpay.com and search for St. Joe's by zip code (07073), by city (East Rutherford) or by parish (St. Joseph). Select 'start giving'. You will then be prompted to enter the amount of your gift. Follow the prompts and you can then set up a personal account so that you can login for future contributions. By setting up a personal account parish pay will retain your payment information and the frequency with which you want to make donations. It's similar to paying any of your utility bills on-line. It's an easy way to give without completing weekly envelopes, writing out checks. God never takes anything away from us and gives us back a hundred fold.

Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors Needed

We need extra Eucharistic Ministers for the 10 and 12 Masses, and lectors at the 8 AM Mass. Please consider serving our parish in this way. Many of you would be fantastic lectors and ministers!

MARRIAGE BANNS

**VINCENT ST. THOMAS
& HAZEL KATHERINE
On July 30 @ 1 pm**



VIRIDIAN CLEAN ENERGY

Experts around the world are forecasting that we are entering a new cycle of energy cost increases. The winter of 2014 has nearly depleted our natural gas reserves. Natural gas prices have increased 39% since January of this year. There is a program that can ensure you price certainty over the next 3 years. You will pay less for your energy and Viridian offers you a rebate of 110% if you pay more. As long as you stay with Viridian the parish will receive a small stipend every month. In addition for every 25 new customers who enroll with Viridian the parish will receive a generous bonus. The parish buildings have been receiving electric and gas from Viridian and is saving 15% on our energy bills. Please contact Louis Paulucci, a parishioner with Viridian, at 201-819-3468. He will guide you through the steps and help you to make an informed decision on what is best for you.

POPE FRANCIS ON HAVING A MORE INCLUSIVE ECONOMY

"What is happening to humanity at the moment is what happens when wine becomes brandy: it passes through a phase of distillation, in organizational terms. It is no longer wine, but it is something else: perhaps more useful, more qualified, but it is not wine!"

He said that for mankind, it is the same: "man passes through this transformational phase and ends up – and I am serious – losing his humanity and becoming a tool of the system, a social and economic system, a system where imbalance reigns. When mankind loses his humanity, what happens to us? What occurs is what I would describe in simple terms as a throwaway policy or sociology: what is no longer useful is discarded, because man is not at the centre. And when man is not at the centre, there is something else in his place and man is at the service of this other thing."

"Children are discarded – we all know about today's birth rates, at least in Europe; the elderly are discarded, because they are not 'useful'. And now? An entire generation of young people is discarded, and this is very serious! I have seen a figure: 75 million young people, under the age of 25, without work. The 'neither-nor' young: those who neither work nor study. They do not study because they do not have the opportunity, and they do not work because there is no work."

"Who will be the next to be discarded? Let us stop this in time, please!"

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 4524

Each year KofC council 4524 from East Rutherford has its annual drive for people with mental and physical disabilities. We take to the streets with our vests on to collect money for people who are developmentally and intellectually challenged. This year we collected \$3600.00. \$1800.00 will be donated to ARC of Bergen & Passaic County and \$1800.00 to The Felician School for Exceptional Children in Lodi N.J. We can only accomplish this from your generosity and would like to thank all the brothers who worked on this project but most of all the people that donated their money to support this great cause.

In June of this year we held our annual Golf Outing at Apple Mountain Golf Course. This is the second year this event was held to honor our Brother Sir Knight Robert Slamiak who passed away very suddenly. Bob was our Financial Secretary and a very active member of our order. This year we netted \$1000.00 from this outing and that money will be donated to The Felician School for Exceptional Children in Lodi N.J. in Bob's name. Thank you again for your support and may God bless you.

SAVE THE DATE FOR FAMILY PARISH DAY SEPT. 14

To say thank you to the parish and to celebrate together as a community the parish will host a free, one day Parish Family event, a one day carnival with food, games, face painting and many other surprises. It will be Sunday, September 14, from 1 to 5 PM. Please save the date and tell other parishioners about this fun and worth wild event!



St. Joseph's Rosary Altar Society 100th Anniversary

Dinner-Dance

(including cocktail hour and open bar)

Date: **October 24, 2014**

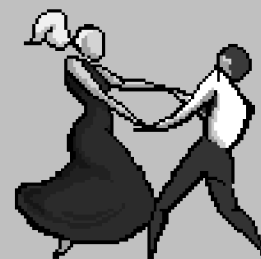
7:00 pm - Midnight

Place: **The Fiesta,**

Rt. 17 South

Wood-Ridge, NJ

Donation: \$65



Special Guest

**6:00 pm Mass with Most Reverend Bernard A. Hebda,
Coadjutor Archbishop of Newark**

Contact: for all the information about this exciting night!

Dolores McGuire 201-939-5163,

(or) Jean Kimak 201-438-6708

A souvenir journal of supporters and contributors will be issued for the dinner.

Anyone interested in buying and ad, please use the following check list:

Full page Ad: \$80

Quarter Page Ad: \$ 20

Memorial \$ 10

Half Page Ad: \$ 40

Patron: \$10

Checks are payable to St. Joseph's Altar Society, 120 Hoboken Road, East Rutherford, NJ 07073.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.