

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

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Parish Registration

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

Always Remember

Our Church is open year round, 7 days a week,
offering the sacraments, the Mass, the same
valuable spiritual service, programs and guidance
in the Fall, Winter, *Spring and Summer*.

Therefore, we need your support year round.

Please consider on-line giving. It is safe and
secure. Visit parishpay.com for more details.

Day of Prayer for Peace in Iraq and the Middle East

Lord, The plight of our country
is deep and the suffering of Christians
is severe and frightening. Therefore, we
ask you Lord to spare our lives, and to
grant us patience, and courage to
continue our witness of Christian values
with trust and hope. Lord, peace is the
foundation of life; Grant us the peace and
stability that will enable us to live with
each other without fear and anxiety, and
with dignity and joy. Glory be to you
forever!

In calling on you today to take up the
urgency of this mission, I am reminded of
Jesus' own words: "Again, I say to you, if
two of you agree on earth about anything
for which they are to pray, it shall be
granted to them by my heavenly
Father. For where two or three are
gathered together
in my name, there am I in the midst of
them." (Mt. 18: 19-20) As always, I thank
you for all that you do to assist me in my
ministry,
and for all you do for the people of this
great Archdiocese. Through Christ our
Lord. Amen!

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – August 17, 2014

SATURDAY, August 16

5:00 pm + Christine Sottilaro

SUNDAY, August 17

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am + Helene Capone
10:00 am + Josel Denosta Tirol, Jr.
12:00 pm + Sina Scicchitano

MONDAY, August 18

12:05 pm + Pat McGuire

TUESDAY, August 19

St. John Eudes

12:05 pm + Enidio Abreu

WEDNESDAY, August 20

St. Bernard

12:05 pm + Sebastiano Barone

THURSDAY, August 21

St. Pius X

12:05 pm + Thomas & Ellen
Flanagan

FRIDAY, August 22

The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

12:05 pm + Piero Campiotti

SATURDAY, August 23

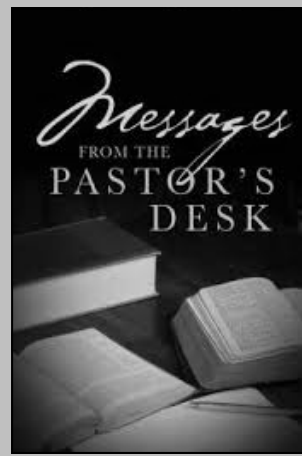
St. Rose of Lima

5:00 pm + Mario Pedoto

SUNDAY, August 24

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am + Helene Capone
10:00 am + Stephanie Domaracki
12:00 pm + Carmine Pate



Dear Brothers and Sisters:

I find myself very much like the apostles saying, "Give this woman what she wants and tell her to stop shouting." However, Jesus is very impressed by her faith. Imagine telling someone that it is not fair to take the food that belongs to

the children and tell her that giving it to her is to give it to the dogs? The woman is not insulted, she bounces back and says even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table. She means that even gentiles have a right to some happiness, to a few scraps that fall from the table. She persists in her prayer and it is granted: her daughter is cured immediately.

O woman, great is your faith! With what great intimacy Jesus calls her woman who has just gladly humiliated herself to the status of a household dog. Three times she calls Jesus "Lord," in the most polite form. And she is reaping a blessing from him when he calls out to her, O woman, great is your faith. This declaration raises the status of this woman to beloved.

This encounter of the Canaanite woman with Jesus excellently portrays the soul's search for love and healing in God. This search is usually a time of purification. The initial rigor shown by Christ makes the woman fully aware of the depth of her misery when left to herself. His silence and rebuff test the quality of her love and increase her desire for him. Her running, shouting, insisting and humbly adoring are all indispensable exercises that make her heart grow in its capacity for love and joy. Above all, the process is a trial of her fidelity and of her resolute unwillingness to turn to anyone but Jesus for salvation and healing, no matter what is stacked against her. Let us beg the Lord that we will have the same resolve as this woman.



Colleen Joe

The *Sanctuary Candles* will burn this week in Memory of **Michele Pierantoni** as requested by **her parents**.

The *Wine* is offered this week in **Memory of Lois Colbath**, as requested by **Farina family**.

The *Acolyte Candle* will burn this week in **Memory of Lois Colbath**, as requested by **Raymond Colbath & daughters**.

ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL 2014 AAA

Our Goal is \$28,000.00

How We Are Doing:

Total pledged to date- \$ 24, 150.00

Number of Donors- 109

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 658 people attended Mass.

Total Giving: \$ 5,745.00

1st Collection	\$ 3,995.00
Number of Envelopes 188	\$ 2,849.00
Cash Received	\$ 1,146.00

2nd Collection	\$ 1,750.00
Number of Envelopes 152	\$ 1,299.00
Cash received	\$ 451.00

AIR CONDITIONING
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, 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.

LOIS COLBATH
PALMA MARINARO
NORMAN CASSELLA



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: Tuna, Fruit, Macaroni & Cheese, Vegetables and Pasta.

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

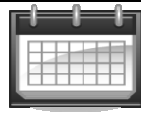
During the month of **AUGUST** we are collecting

REGULAR COFFEE.

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

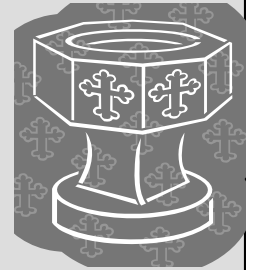
"In all truth I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born through water and the Spirit; what is born of human nature is human; what is born of the Spirit is Spirit."

BAPTISM DATES AND MEETINGS SCHEDULE

August

No baptisms

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



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Thus says the LORD: "Stand firm in justice; do what is right" (Isaiah 56:1, 6-7).

Psalms — O God, let all the nations praise you! (Psalm 67).

Second Reading — The gifts and the calling of God are unable to be revoked (Romans 11:13-15, 29-32).

Gospel — Recognizing the Canaanite woman's great faith, Jesus told her, "It shall be done as you wish" (Matthew 15:21-28).

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Tuesday: St. John Eudes

Wednesday: St. Bernard

Thursday: St. Pius X

Friday: Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Saturday: St. Rose of Lima; Blessed Virgin Mary

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ez 24:15-24; Dt 32:18-21; Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10; Dt 32:26-28, 30, 35cd-36ab; Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Ez 36:23-28; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Ez 37:1-14; Ps 107:2-9; Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Ez 43:1-7a; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 23:1-12

Sunday: Is 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-3, 6, 8; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20



CHURCH CHUCKLES

Dear Pastor: Why do we have to go to church every week? I thought it was called Someday school.

Tommy John, age 6

Day of Prayer for Peace in Iraq and the Middle East

The Bishops of the United States have called for a Day of Prayer for Peace in Iraq for the weekend of Saturday and Sunday, August 16 and 17 to show our solidarity with the Christian people and other minority religious groups in Iraq who are suffering persecution at the hands of the Islamic militants of ISIS.

I join in this urgent appeal, and ask each of you to include in the General Intercessions at Mass during that weekend a prayer for peace, healing, and for a change of heart in the aggressors to help bring about an end to violence and persecution of people who have suffered so much not only in Iraq, but also in Syria, Israel and Gaza.

I offer to you a prayer written by the Chaldean Catholic Patriarch of Iraq, His Beatitude Louis Rafael Sako, which you may use to pray in solidarity with the victims of violence of Iraq, Syria, Israel and Gaza.

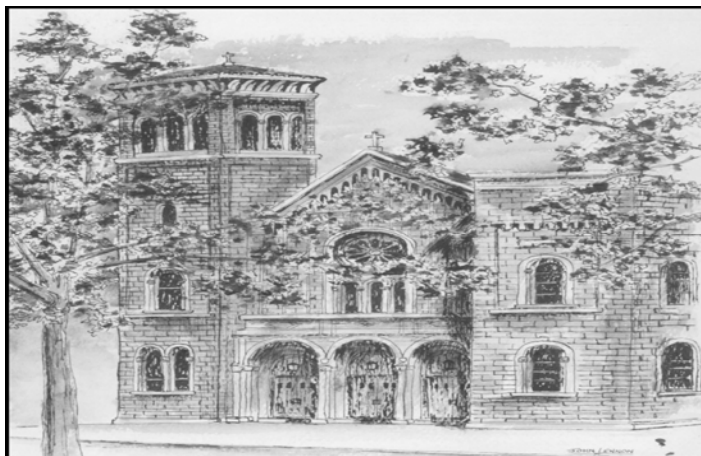
GRATITUDE

O Thou who has given us so much, mercifully grant us one thing more—a grateful heart.

—George Herbert

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.



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.



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.

WE NEED YOUR HELP DESPERATELY
Just To let you know the Azor family (single mom with 8 children) has been unable to find housing and has been forced to sleep in their car since Thursday, 7/31. They have a Section 8 housing voucher for a 4-5 bedroom home. If there is ANYONE in the parish who knows of a suitable home for them, please get in touch with Carline directly at 845-659-3029 or me here at Comprehensive Behavioral Healthcare. We can't allow this wonderful family to spend any more nights in a car.

Sincerely,
Gloria Pecherski, LSW
Comprehensive Behavioral healthcare, Inc.
395 Main St., Hackensack, NJ 07601
201-646-0333

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.

MARRIAGE BANNS
Chris Bednarz & Nancy Stevens
August 22nd @ 3 pm

Justin Eberle & Alissia Cirilli
August 29th @ 2 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.

LOWER PARKING LOT BEING REDONE

Did you notice that finally the lower parking lot is being refinished, and also an outside area for the rectory will be added? The estimate for the parking lot is \$95,000. This work will be good for the next 25 years. Thank you for your generous spirit and your help in the parish, which makes it possible to continue improving the parish grounds and our work of evangelization and reaching out to others.

YOUTH BAND FOR NOON MASS

Can you play an instrument or sing, or know someone who does? At the noon Mass we are aiming to start a youth band to play and to attract younger people to the parish. If you know someone who would like to serve and to learn let Diana or one of the priests know. Please pray for this initiative since it is crucial in reaching out to the unchurched. May God bless you always!

YOUNG ADULTS

Are you in your 20's or 30's? Would you like to meet other Catholic young Adults and celebrate your faith together? On Saturday, September 13th we will be holding our first "*Shepherd's Mass*" a young adult Mass where we will celebrate and share words of wisdom and encouragement. It will be held at the Archdiocesan Youth Retreat Center, 49 Belgrove Dr., Kearny, NJ 07032

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!

COLUMBUS DAY PILGRIMAGE

Please join Father Joe and Father Jim Starasinich, pastor of Sacred Heart Church in Lyndhurst, NJ for one day pilgrimage on Columbus Day, Monday, October 13, 2014 to the National Shrine of St. Kateri Tekakwitha (the first Native American Saint) in Fonda, NY and the Shrine of the North American Martyrs in Auriesville, NY.

The cost of the pilgrimage is \$60 per person which includes bus transportation and lunch at the Shrine of St. Kateri. Seats will be limited and filled on a first come first serve basis. The bus will depart from Sacred Heart, 324 Ridge Road, Lyndhurst at 6AM sharp. Pilgrims should be at the parish no later than 5:30AM.

Please call Sacred Heart Parish Office at 201-438-1147 for more information.

SUMMER CHOIR

Anyone who would like 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'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: 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 an ad, please use the following check list:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Full Page Ad 5" x 8" : | \$80 | <input type="checkbox"/> Half Page Ad 5" x 4": | \$40 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Quarter Page Ad 2.5" x 4": | \$20 | <input type="checkbox"/> Patron: | \$10 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Memorial: | \$10 | | |

Checks are payable to St. Joseph's Altar Society, 120 Hoboken Road, East Rutherford, NJ 07073. Thank you for your support. **Due October 1, 2014.**

Attach your ad or business card below: