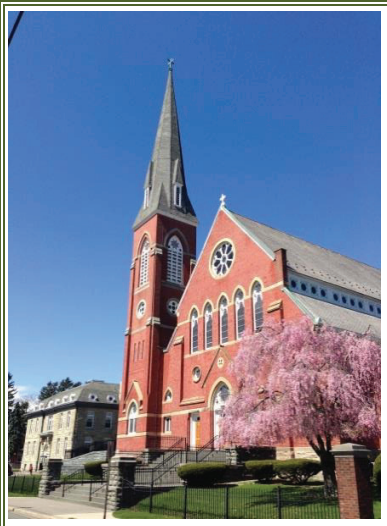

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Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 30, 2019

Rev. Dennis A. Nikolić, Pastor
Rev. Alejandro Sanchez, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Simon Nwachukwu, Hospital Chaplain
Rev. Ngozi Osuji, Prison Chaplain
Deacon Richard Trapani
Deacon Albert Loeffler
Deacon Alexander Gapay

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Coordinator: Ms. Linda Byrons: **845-343-4415**
Registration is under way for the 2019-2020 school year.

SUNDAY MASS

Saturday evening: 5:30
Sunday morning: 7:00, 9:00, 9:00 (Latin), 11:30
Sunday afternoon: 1:00 -- en Español

DAILY MASS

Monday – Friday: 7:30 a.m. and 12:10 p.m.
Wednesday: 7:00 p.m. -- en Español
Saturday: 8:00 a.m.

HOLY DAYS

Mass and Confession schedule announced ahead of time.

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays: 4:15-5:00 p.m. and 7:30-8:00 p.m.
Other occasions as announced
Also by appointment

BAPTISMS

For registered parishioners, by appointment, after instruction. Sundays at 2:30 p.m.; second through last Sunday in English, first Sunday in Spanish.

PARENT BAPTISMAL INSTRUCTION

Meetings in the Parish Center
English: Third Saturday, 9:15-10:15 a.m.
Spanish: Fourth Saturday, 9:00-10:00 a.m.

MARRIAGES

For registered parishioners. Arrangements must be made at least 6 months in advance.

PASTORAL VISITS

Communion for the home-bound and anointing of the sick: please call the Rectory. **845-343-6013.**

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (RCIA)

For adults interested in becoming Catholics and for Catholics who need to receive Communion and/or Confirmation: please call the Rectory: **845-343-6013**.

LITURGY

Eucharistic Ministers: *Coordinator,* Deacon Trapani
Lector Coordinator: Mr. Martin Suchy
Organist: Mr. Joseph Bertolozzi

DEVOTIONS

Perpetual Adoration In Chapel: 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
Miraculous Medal Novena: Mondays, 7:00 p.m.
First Friday: Holy hour 8:00-9:00 p.m.
First Saturday: Rosary after the 8:00 a.m. Mass
First Saturday: Holy hour 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. in Spanish
Rosary Crusade for Life: First Sunday of the month, 4:00-5:00 p.m.

PARISH SERVICES

Food Pantry: Wednesdays 10:00 a.m. -12:00 noon
Senior Dining: Serving lunch Mon-Fri **845-956-1428**
Parish Website: www.SJChurch.com
Parish E-Mail: Parish@SJChurch.com
Youth Group: Schedule published in the bulletin

Welcome to Our Parish

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JUNE 30, 2019

MASS INTENTIONS

for the Week of June 30-July 7

SAT:	5:30pm	Elva Pagan
SUN:	7:00AM	All Parishoners Living & Deceased
	9:00am	Pietro & Maria Concetta & Filomena Scumaci
LATIN:	9:00am	Margaret Rose & Neil Boag
	11:30am	Antonio Scafani
	1:00pm	Jose Luis Cardenas Jr. & Mauricio Heredia Sorriano
MON:	7:30am	Helen Petrozak
	12:10pm	Dahlia Awada & Family
TUE:	7:30am	Daniel P. Rafferty (Living)
	12:10pm	Walter Wright
WED:	7:30am	Carmela Elia
	12:10pm	Luigi Fratto
	7:00pm	*Intention Available*
THUR:	7:30am	Mary Ellen Schwartz
	12:10pm	Gaetano & Maria Talarico
FRI:	7:30am	George Fostel
	12:10pm	Joseph Bradley
SAT:	8:00am	Francesco Fratto
	5:30pm	Raffaele Stampone
SUN:	7:00am	Pino Rossi
	9:00am	John & Roxanna Fanelli & Francesco Fratto
LATIN:	9:00am	Helga Anna Nemeth
	11:30am	All Parishoners Living & Deceased
	1:00pm	Jose Luis Cardenas Jr.

Note: Monday through Friday, 12:10 p.m. Mass is offered for an increase in vocations. An additional intention may be requested.

+ PRAY FOR +
Helen Valleau, Louisa Pistoia Amelia

FATHER ALEJANDRO SANCHEZ

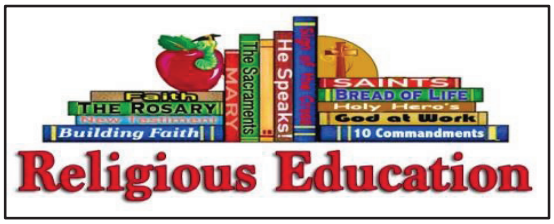
On Saturday, **June 29,** a Mass of Thanksgiving was offered to pray and support **Father Alejandro Sanchez** in his new assignment. Father Alejandro has completed his three-year term and will begin his new assignment tomorrow, **July 1**. He has been assigned to **St. Anselm** and **St. Roch** Parish in the Bronx, where he will serve as Parochial Vicar. Let us congratulate Father Alejandro on a job well done and let us continue to keep him in our prayers as he begins his new assignment.

RENEW + REBUILD

From **July 15** until **July 19**, the main parking lot will be resealed. Any cracks will be filled in and the lines will be painted. During that week, Masses will be celebrated in the Main Church. The Blessed Sacrament Chapel will be inaccessible and therefore Adoration will be suspended for that time.

We are most grateful to parishioners who have paid or are making payments on their pledges. If you owe payments on a pledge, please do your best to send in your payments so that work can continue uninterrupted.

If you have not made a pledge and wish to do so, you can contact us at 845-343-6013 for a pledge form, or pick one up at the side entrances of the Church.

. 

First Communion pictures are available for those who ordered them. Please call 845-343-4415 to make arrangements for pickup. It is best to call the Religious Education office on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday. If you call during a time that no one is available, please leave a message and someone will return your call as quickly as possible. Confirmation pictures are not yet ready.

Registration for the 2019-2020 school year is continuing. Please bring a copy of your child's Baptismal Certificate. Registration is not automatic; you must re-register your child for the upcoming school year.

PERPETUAL ADORATION

When **Jesus** told His disciples that they must eat His Flesh and drink His Blood to have eternal life, many turned away and stopped following Him. When asked if the Apostles also wanted to walk away, **Peter**'s reply to Jesus must have been a welcome one: "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of everlasting life. We have come to believe; we are convinced that You are God's Holy One."

Today when many still walk away from our Eucharistic Lord, how pleased Is Jesus when you come and spend some time with Him. We ask Jesus to help us be better people and we ask for the grace of true repentance and belief in Him. We adore Him as our God and Savior.

Become a Guardian of the Blessed Sacrament and give Jesus the Adoration which He deserves. One hour a week is all that He asks. Every hour of the day and night, Jesus waits for you. Every day of the week He waits for you. Will you believe as Peter did? Choose any hour of any day of the week and promise Jesus you will visit with Him. Call **Marty** or **Clarice Suchy** at 845-692-4510.

The following are hours of particular need. If you cannot do one of these choose any hour that you can be with Our Lord.

HOURS OF SPECIAL NEED

MON: 1:00-2:00 p.m. **WED: 1:00-2:00 p.m.**
THURS: 1:00-2:00 p.m.

REGISTER FOR JULY CAMP

Registration is under way for St. Joseph's basketball camp, which will be held **July 8-12**. The camp is for boys and girls of any skill level who are entering grades 4-9. Registration forms can be found at the entrances of the Church. With the generosity of parishioners and businesses, we strive to keep camp affordable. A donation of $100 allows a child to attend camp for the week and receive lunch. If you would like to be a personal or business sponsor, or for other questions, please contact **Chris Russo** at 845-609-7052 or at hhh_basketball@yahoo.com

SUMMER HOURS FOR PARISH OFFICE

Beginning the week of **July 1** and continuing through the end of August, the Parish Office will be closed on Fridays. On Mondays the office will be open from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. only. The office will be closed on **July 4**, in observance of Independence Day; **August 15**, the Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary; and on **September 2**, Labor Day. The office will be open Tuesday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. throughout the summer. It is always best to call the office before you come. The telephone number of the Parish Office is 845-343-6013.

FOOD FOR THE POOR

"For I was Hungry and you gave me food…"

Our food drive is this weekend.

Thank you for your continued support of the St. Joseph's Food Pantry. Our pantry has been a real life support for many people and families who struggle to make ends meet. This program cannot exist without you.

Thank you and may God continue to bless you. **We cannot help everyone, but everyone can help someone.**

SHORTER NOTICES

St. Stephen's Parish in Warwick will hold its eighth annual Bike Blessing on Saturday, **July 6,** at 12:00 noon. The event includes the blessing, a 30-40 mile ride and a party at the Sugar Loaf Taphouse. The cost for the party is $20 per person. Please contact **Lisa Kevins** at: lkevins49@aol.com for more information.

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The annual Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Celebration will be held on Sunday, **July 14.** There will be a Mass celebrated at 5:00 p.m. followed by a procession through the street. A celebration afterwards will include light refreshments and entertainment.

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Our annual Spanish Food Festival will be held on Sunday, **September 8,** from 11:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Bring your family and friends for a day of fun and socializing!

THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading 1 **1 KGS 19:16B, 19-21**

The **LORD** said to **Elijah**:
"You shall anoint **Elisha**, son of **Shaphat** of
Abelmeholah as prophet to succeed you."

Elijah set out and came upon Elisha, son of Shaphat,
as he was plowing with twelve yoke of oxen;
he was following the twelfth

Elijah went over to him and threw his cloak over him.
Elisha left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said,
"Please, let me kiss my father and mother goodbye,
and I will follow you."

Elijah answered, "Go back!
Have I done anything to you?"
Elisha left him, and taking the yoke of oxen, slaughtered
them;
he used the plowing equipment for fuel to boil their flesh,
and gave it to his people to eat.
Then Elisha left and followed Elijah as his attendant.

Responsorial Psalm **PS 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11**

R. **You are my inheritance, O Lord.**
Keep me, O God, for in you I take refuge;
I say to the LORD, "My Lord are you.
O LORD, my allotted portion and my cup,
you it is who hold fast my lot."
R. **You are my inheritance, O Lord.**
I bless the LORD who counsels me;
even in the night my heart exhorts me.
I set the LORD ever before me;
with him at my right hand I shall not be disturbed.
R. **You are my inheritance, O Lord.**
Therefore my heart is glad and my soul rejoices,
my body, too, abides in confidence
because you will not abandon my soul to the
netherworld,
nor will you suffer your faithful one to undergo
corruption.
R. **You are my inheritance, O Lord.**
You will show me the path to life,
fullness of joys in your presence,
the delights at your right hand forever.
R. **You are my inheritance, O Lord.**

Reading 2 **GAL 5:1, 13-18**

Brothers and sisters: For freedom Christ set us free;
so stand firm and do not submit again to the yoke of
slavery.

For you were called for freedom, brothers and sisters.
But do not use this freedom
as an opportunity for the flesh;
rather, serve one another through love.
For the whole law is fulfilled in one statement,
namely, You shall love your neighbor as yourself.
But if you go on biting and devouring one another,
beware that you are not consumed by one another.

I say, then: live by the Spirit
and you will certainly not gratify the desire of the flesh.
For the flesh has desires against the Spirit,
and the Spirit against the flesh;
these are opposed to each other,
so that you may not do what you want.
But if you are guided by the Spirit, you are not under the
law.

Gospel **LK 9:51-62**

When the days for **Jesus'** being taken up were fulfilled,
he resolutely determined to journey to Jerusalem,
and he sent messengers ahead of him. On the way they
entered a Samaritan village to prepare for his reception
there, but they would not welcome him because the
destination of his journey was Jerusalem. When the
disciples **James** and **John** saw this they asked, "Lord,
do you want us to call down fire from heaven to consume
them?" Jesus turned and rebuked them, and they
journeyed to another village.

As they were proceeding on their journey someone said
to him, "I will follow you wherever you go."
Jesus answered him, "Foxes have dens and birds of the
sky have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to rest
his head."

And to another he said, "Follow me."
But he replied, "Lord, let me go first and bury my father."
But he answered him, "Let the dead bury their dead.
But you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God."
And another said, "I will follow you, Lord,
but first let me say farewell to my family at home."
To him Jesus said, "No one who sets a hand to the plow
and looks to what was left behind is fit for the kingdom of
God."

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