



# Church of St. Joseph

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*Twenty Second Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
August 30, 2020*

## PARENT BAPTISMAL INSTRUCTION

Meetings are currently suspended

## 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

All public devotions are on hold until it is safe to do so

## PARISH SERVICES

**Food Pantry:** Suspended  
**Senior Dining:** Congregant Dining suspended  
Meals available for delivery: 845-956-1428  
**Parish Website:** [www.SJChurch.com](http://www.SJChurch.com)  
**Parish E-Mail:** [Parish@SJChurch.com](mailto:Parish@SJChurch.com)  
**YouTube:** [SJChurch](https://www.youtube.com/SJChurch)  
**Youth Group:** Meetings are suspended

*Welcome to  
Our Parish*



Very Rev. Dennis A. Nikolić, V.F., Pastor  
Rev. Seán M. Connolly, Parochial Vicar  
Rev. Simon Nwachukwu, Hospital Chaplain  
Deacon Richard Trapani  
Deacon Albert Loeffler  
Deacon Alexander Gapay

## ST. JOSEPH'S CEMETERY

Parish Office: 845-343-6013

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Coordinator: Ms. Linda Byrons: 845-343-4415

## 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:** Mass will be offered at 8:00 a.m.  
**Wednesday:** Your intentions are prayed at Mass  
**Saturday:** by the Parish Priests in private

## HOLY DAYS

Mass and Confession schedule announced ahead of time.

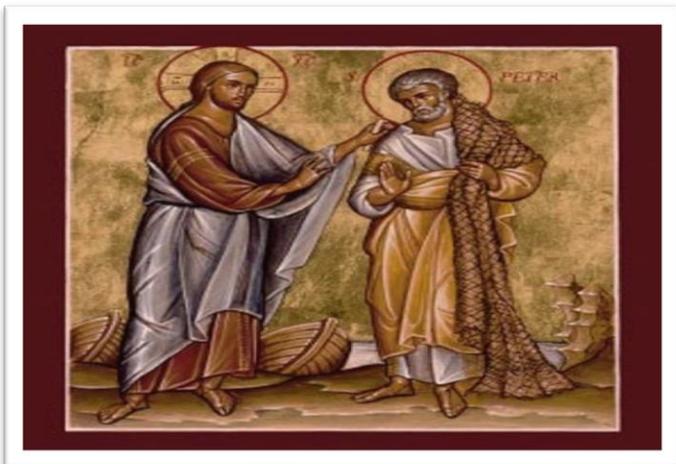
## CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 7:00 p.m. using the confessional screen only  
or at other times by appointment

## BAPTISMS

For registered parishioners, by appointment, after instruction.

**TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
AUGUST 30, 2020**



**MASS INTENTIONS**

*for the Week of August 30 – September 6*

<b>SAT:</b>	5:30pm	Charles Fuller & Mary Lawhead
<b>SUN:</b>	7:00am	All Parishioners Living & Deceased
	9:00am	Alfred Fusco
<b>LATIN:</b>	9:00am	Anna Foran
	11:30am	Vincent & Maria Mingolla & Family
	1:00pm	– <i>por los difuntos</i> --
<b>MON:</b>	8:00am	Fanny Velasquez & Diane Van Fleet
<b>TUE:</b>	8:00am	Filomena, Antonio, Giovanni Scumaci & Giovannie & Carmela Oioro
<b>WED:</b>	8:00am	William Guinan & Giuseppe & Teresa DeMaria
<b>THUR:</b>	8:00am	Lawrence & Margaret Ruggles & Patrick J. Coscette
<b>FRI:</b>	8:00am	Antonietta Gesualdo
<b>SAT:</b>	8:00am	All Parishioners Living & Deceased
	5:30pm	Bradford & DeGroate Families
<b>SUN:</b>	7:00am	All Parishioners Living & Deceased
	9:00am	Kenneth Van Sciver
<b>LATIN:</b>	9:00am	– <i>Special Intention</i> --
	11:30am	Barry B. White
	1:00pm	– <i>por los difuntos</i> --

**Note:** All above Masses are being prayed in public with the added intentions remembered by our priests in private Masses that continue.

**+ PRAY FOR +**

**Anna Smith, Sophia Dougherty,  
Ann Marie Schrippa, Maria Parotta**

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**Live stream of Masses can be found by clicking the link on our website or by visiting us on YouTube at:**

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**PRECAUTIONS FOR PUBLIC MASS**

Weekday Mass will be offered at 8:00 a.m. in the Main Church. Sunday Mass continues with the traditional Mass schedule: Vigil Mass on Saturday at 5:30 p.m.; Sunday Masses in English at 7:00, 9:00 and 11:30 a.m.; in Spanish at 1 p.m., all in the Main Church. The 9 a.m. Latin Mass has been moved to the gymnasium to allow for proper social distancing.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** has been postponed until the fall. Please call the Religious Education Office (845-343-4415) for information.

**CONFIRMATION** also has postponed until the fall, with Confirmation dates planned for November. Please call the Religious Education Office (845-343-4415) for information.

**WEDDINGS** for September will be considered on a case-by-case basis. (*Please contact the priest or deacon who is working with you on the marriage for details.*)

**FUNERAL MASSES** will be offered with restrictions. Families who wish to schedule a Memorial Mass should call the Parish Office (845-343-6013).

**CONFESSION** is available Saturdays at 7:00 p.m. and by request. Call the Parish Office (845-343-6013) to schedule an appointed time. Confession is behind the screened grill only.

The **PARISH OFFICE** is operating on summer hours. You may call the Parish Office (845-343-6013) and leave a message.

**CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS' MEETINGS RESUME**

The Catholic Daughters will resume their monthly meetings on Wednesday, **September 9**, at 7 p.m. in the Parish Center.

New members are always welcome.

## PERPETUAL ADORATION



Our Lord gave us a precious gift when He saw fit to leave behind the image of His Holy Face as it appeared in death. The Shroud, or burial cloth, of Jesus shows clearly the sufferings of Our Lord. Looking at Jesus' Holy Face one can see the swelling from so many blows of opened palm and closed fists. There are the marks from the crown of thorns. One can see where His beard and hair have been thinned by the cruel yanking of the executioners.

It is good to gaze upon Jesus' Holy Face and to contemplate how one's own sins have caused the Lord's great sufferings. It is a moving experience to know one's sinfulness and yet to know Jesus forgives it all. In praying before an image of the Holy Face, the truth of God's Love for one is reflected back.

It is also good to come before Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament and gaze upon Him truly present in the Holy Sacrament of the Altar. Here one can humble himself before Jesus, true God and true Man. As one gazes upon the Face of Jesus, hidden by the appearance of the Host, Jesus shines forth His love, mercy and grace upon us.

Hopefully, we soon will be re-opening the chapel for Perpetual Adoration. Now would be a good time to reflect on Jesus' love for you and how you respond to that love. Prayerfully consider taking an hour of Adoration. One specific hour of one particular day of the week is all that is necessary. And every hour of every day is available to you. If you are an early bird, late owl, or any-other-time-of-the-day bird, Jesus is waiting for you. Gaze at His Holy Face and give Him your heart.

**FOR UPDATES ON WHEN THE CHAPEL WILL OPEN, YOU MAY CALL THE CHAPEL RECORDING, 845-956-1455 (this number might not work from a Spectrum house phone). YOU MAY ALSO CALL: 845-343-6013, ext. 105**

## READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY

### FIRST READING

*From the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah (Jer 20:7-9)*

You duped me, O LORD, and I let myself be duped;  
You were too strong for me, and You triumphed.  
All the day I am an object of laughter;  
everyone mocks me.  
Whenever I speak, I must cry out,  
violence and outrage is my message;  
the word of the LORD has brought me  
derision and reproach all the day.  
I say to myself, I will not mention Him,  
I will speak in His name no more.  
But then it becomes like fire burning in my heart,  
imprisoned in my bones;  
I grow weary holding it in, I cannot endure it.



### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Psalm 63 (Ps 63: 2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8, 12, 13, 14)*

**R. My soul is thirsting for You, O Lord my God.**

O God, you are my God whom I seek;  
for You my flesh pines and my soul thirsts  
like the earth, parched, lifeless and without water.

**R. My soul is thirsting for You, O Lord my God.**

Thus have I gazed toward You in the sanctuary  
to see Your power and Your glory,  
For Your kindness is a greater good than life;  
my lips shall glorify You.

**R. My soul is thirsting for You, O Lord my God.**

Thus will I bless You while I live;  
lifting up my hands, I will call upon Your name.  
As with the riches of a banquet shall my soul be  
satisfied,  
and with exultant lips my mouth shall praise You.

**R. My soul is thirsting for You, O Lord my God.**

You are my help,  
and in the shadow of Your wings I shout for joy.  
My soul clings fast to You;  
Your right hand upholds me.

**R. My soul is thirsting for You, O Lord my God.**

## SECOND READING

*From the First Letter of St. Paul to the Romans (1Rom 12:1-2)*

I urge you, brothers and sisters,  
by the mercies of God,  
to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice,  
holy and pleasing to God, your spiritual worship.  
Do not conform yourselves to this age  
but be transformed by the renewal of your mind,  
that you may discern what is the will of God,  
what is good and pleasing and perfect.



## ALLELUIA

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Take my yoke upon you, says the Lord,  
and learn from Me, for I am meek and humble of  
heart.

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**



## GOSPEL

*From the Gospel of Matthew (Mt 16:21-27)*

Jesus began to show his disciples  
that He must go to Jerusalem and suffer greatly  
from the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes,  
and be killed and on the third day be raised.

Then Peter took Jesus aside and began to rebuke  
Him, "God forbid, Lord! No such thing shall ever  
happen to You."

He turned and said to Peter, "Get behind Me, Satan!  
You are an obstacle to Me. You are thinking not as  
God does, but as human beings do."

Then Jesus said to His disciples, "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. What profit would there be for one to gain the  
whole world and forfeit his life?

"Or what can one give in exchange for his life?  
For the Son of Man will come with His angels  
in His Father's glory,  
and then He will repay all according to His conduct."

