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*Fourth Sunday
of Easter
May 11, 2025
Mother's Day*

Very Rev. Dennis A. Nikolić, V.F., Pastor
Rev. Kevin Panameño, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Simon Nwachukwu, Hospital Chaplain
Deacon Richard Trapani
Deacon Alexander Gapay
Deacon Edmund Lazzari

ST. JOSEPH'S CEMETERY
Parish Office: 845-343-6013

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
Religious Education Office: 845-343-4415

SUNDAY MASS
Saturday evening: 5:30
Sunday morning: 7:00, 9:00, 10:15 (Latin), 11:30
Sunday afternoon: 1:00 – en Español

DAILY MASS
Monday – Friday: 8:00 a.m.
Wednesday: 7:00 p.m. – en Español
Saturday: 8:00 a.m.

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION
Mass and Confession schedule announced ahead of time.

CONFESSIONS
Saturdays: 7:00 p.m.
Other occasions as announced.
Also, by appointment

BAPTISMS
By appointment, after instruction.

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**.

DEVOTIONS
Perpetual Adoration: Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

PARISH SERVICES
Food Pantry: available to all in need
Parish Website: www.SJChurch.com
Parish E-Mail: Parish@SJChurch.com
Youth Group: See schedule in the bulletin.

*Welcome to
Our Parish*



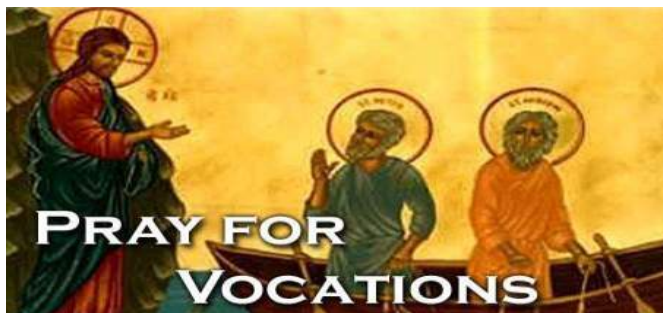
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 11, 2025



MASS INTENTIONS

for the Week May 11 – May 18

SAT:	5:30pm	Mother's Day Remembrance
SUN:	7:00am	We remember
	9:00am	All Mothers and
LATIN:	10:15am	Grandmothers
	11:30am	Living and Deceased
	1:00pm	Mother's Day Remembrance
MON:	8:00am	Raymond Ayala & Family (living)
TUES:	8:00am	Elisabetta, Antonio, Mariatonia & Carmine Cortese
WED:	8:00am	Tony Gesztesi Sr.
	7:00pm	– <i>por los difuntos</i> –
THU:	8:00am	James Lerouge (living)
FRI:	8:00am	Mary Spisso
SAT:	8:00am	Rosa & Giovanni Biasi
	5:30pm	Pasquale Talarico
SUN:	7:00am	All Parishioners, Living & Deceased
	9:00am	Angelina & Alfred Fusco; Thomas Mabee Jr.
LATIN:	10:15am	– <i>Special Intention</i> –
	11:30am	Mother Mary
	1:00pm	– <i>por los difuntos</i> –



*Father Dennis, Father Kevin and
Father Simon wish all our mothers
a very Happy and Blessed
Mother's Day!*

Religious Education News

We held our living Rosary in the Parish Center on **Wednesday, April 30** and **Saturday, May 3**. The students participated with many parents and family members in attendance.

We look forward to the many First Holy Communion Masses we will have on Saturday, **May 17**. We are blessed with such a large number of First Communicants this year – we require six First Holy Communion celebrations. Please keep our students in your prayers.

Registration is open for the 2025-2026 school year. You may call to make an appointment to register your children. Registration is not automatic and must be renewed each year. Please call us for more information at **845-343-4415**.

PERPETUAL ADORATION



"The Eucharist makes the presence of **Jesus** with us a permanent one. In the consecrated Host we find the same Jesus whom Mary brought into the world, whom the shepherds found wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger; whom Mary and Joseph nurtured and watched over as he grew before their eyes, the Jesus Who called the Apostles to follow him, Who captivated and taught the multitudes, Who performed the most startling miracles; Who said he was the 'light' and the 'life' of the world, Who forgave **Magdalen** and raised **Lazarus** from the dead; Who for love of us sweat blood, received the kiss of a traitor, was made one enormous wound, and died on the cross; that same Jesus Who rose again and appeared to the Apostles and in Whose wounds **Thomas** put his finger; Who ascended into heaven, Who is now seated in glory at the right hand of His Father, and Who, in union with the Father, sends us the Holy Spirit. O Jesus, you are always with us, *yesterday, and today, and the same forever!* (Heb 13:8). Always the same in eternity by the immutability of Your divine Person; always the same in time, by the sacrament of the Eucharist."

– Fr. Gabriel of Saint Mary Magdalen, O.C.D.

The Holy Eucharist is reserved and exposed, in the monstrance in our Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Every day, all 24 hours of the day, our Lord and Savior waits for us to come and be with Him. Come offer Him your thanksgiving and love. Come and tell Him of your sorrow for your sins. Come adore Jesus, true God and true man.

We are always seeking more Guardians of the Eucharist. A Guardian is someone who commits to adoring Jesus for one specific hour each week. Choose any day of the week that is convenient for you. Then choose the hour that you will come ,, whether it is in the day or night. Call **Martin** or **Clarice Suchy** for more information at 845-692-4510.

Hour of Urgent Need

Sunday, 9-10 a.m.

Hours Needing Additional Guardians

Sunday: 5-6 a.m.

Sunday: 10-11 p.m.

Monday: Midnight-1 a.m.

Monday: 7-8 a.m.

Wednesday: 5-6 a.m.

Friday: 2-3 a.m.

Saturday: 8-9 a.m.

PRAY FOR ORANGE COUNTY CLERGY

At the doors of the church you will find a prayer calendar with the names of clergy members from Orange County, please pray for them daily.

This week, please remember the following members of the clergy in your prayers:

May 11: Vocations and Seminarians

May 12: Most Rev. Gerardo J. Collacicco, DD, JCL

May 13: Rev. Simon Nwachukwu
Rev. David Rider

May 14: Rev. Matthew Reiman
Deacon Richard Marino

May 15: Rev. William Damroth
Rev. Msgr. Peter Tran Van Phat

May 16: Rev. Fernando Hernandez
Deacon Tom MacDougall

May 17: Rev. Marco Ortega
Rev. Michael Palazzo

May 18: Priests and Deacons who have served in the Orange County Deanery

May 19: Very Rev. Dennis A. Nikolić

Father, in your plan of salvation you provide shepherds for your people. Fill your Church with a spirit of courage and love. Raise up worthy ministers to your altars, ardent but gentle servants of the Gospel To those clergy who have already answered your call, grant joy and perseverance in your service. Amen.

2025 CARDINAL'S ANNUAL APPEAL

We would like to thank the 117 families who have contributed to the Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal. The appeal helps the Seminary, Retired Priests, needy parishes and schools, Religious Education Programs, the Family and Respect Life Office, our pro-life and pro-marriage efforts and Catholic evangelization.

Year	Goal	Collected	# of Gifts	Average Gift
2024	\$60,600.00	\$71,530.92	159	\$449.88
2025	\$63,600.00	\$59,760.00	117	\$642.31

HOW TO GIVE TO THE APPEAL

- You may fill out a pledge card or envelope (found at the doors of the church) and return it to the parish by putting it in the collection basket.
- By mail: 149 Cottage St., Middletown, NY 10940.
- You may give online : cardinalsappeal.org/donate

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

For those wishing to join the Knights of Columbus
John Paul the Great Council 486,
visit <http://www.kofc486.org/join>



The Knights of Columbus' meetings are held every second Thursday of the month at 8:00 p.m. in the Parish Center building at St.

Joseph's Church.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court Rosemary, ordinarily meet on the second Wednesday of the month in the Parish Center building at St. Joseph's Church at **6:30 p.m.** The next meeting will take place on Wednesday, **May 14.**



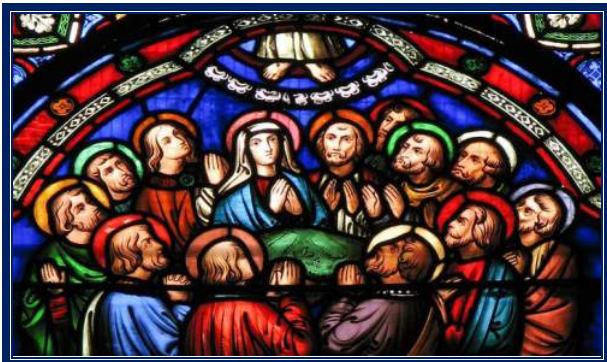
CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS BAKE SALE

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court Rosemary No. 681, will be hosting a Father's Day Bake Sale after all Masses on June 18.

Homemade treats such as pies, cakes, cupcakes, cookies, loaf breads, muffins and brownies will be sold that weekend.

Please support our Catholic Daughters of the Americas!

**REMINDER: ASCENSION THURSDAY IS ON
MAY 29, 2025
IT IS A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION.**



MASS SCHEDULE:

Wed., May 28: 5:30 p.m. *English*, 7:00 p.m. *Spanish*
Thursday, May 29: 8:00 a.m., 12:10 p.m. and 7:00p.m.

CALLED BY NAME SUNDAY A SPECIAL REQUEST FROM CARDINAL DOLAN

Today is *Called by Name Sunday*! **Cardinal Dolan** is asking us to identify faithful young men (ages 15-30) who exhibit qualities of leadership and service, and who may be open to the priesthood. Men you submit will receive a letter of encouragement from Cardinal Dolan, invitations to discernment events, and support from our Vocation Team. Thank you for your participation in this important campaign!

• **WHO:** Young men nominated should be between the ages of 15 and 30. Nominees do not need to want to become priests. Rather, they should show promise in their faith, leadership abilities, and dedication to serving the Church. Don't worry—the Vocation Office will not pressure the young man in any way; rather, we'll offer gentle support and encouragement. • **WHY:** Submitting the name of a young man is a way to honor him. By identifying a young man, you are giving him the opportunity to receive encouragement from the Cardinal and our Vocation Team.

• **HOW:** To submit names, please visit www.nypriest.com/calledbyname. OR use the pew cards found at the doors of the church OR use the form in this bulletin. Place it in the collection basket, or submit names online by using the QR code on the pew cards.

HONOR A YOUNG MAN

FIRST & LAST NAME OF THE YOUNG MAN YOU
WANT TO NOMINATE:

ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____

TELEPHONE# _____

EMAIL: _____

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