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*Twenty-ninth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
October 19, 2025*

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

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Parish Office: 845-343-6013

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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.

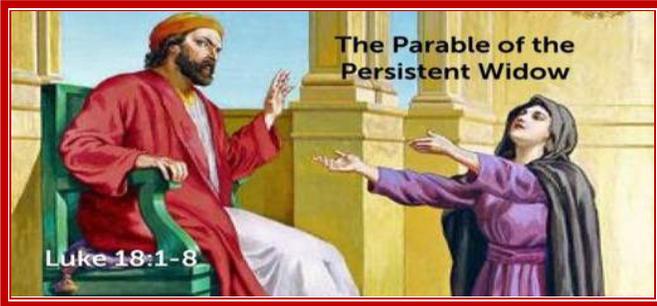
PARISH SERVICES

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*



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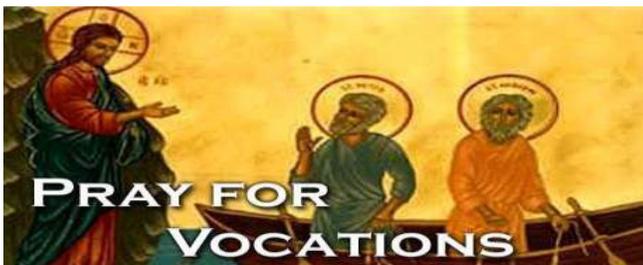


MASS INTENTIONS

for the Week of October 19 – October 26

SAT:	5:30pm	Luciano Altieri
SUN:	7:00am	All Parishioners, Living & Deceased
	9:00am	Margaret Ibitoye (living) Jaclyn Laskowski
LATIN:	10:15am	– <i>Special Intention</i> –
	11:30am	The Parrelli Family
	1:00pm	– <i>por los difuntos</i> –
MON:	8:00am	Demetra Treger
TUES:	8:00am	Ann Isola
WED:	8:00am	Olga Ulloa-Miranda
	7:00pm	– <i>por los difuntos</i> –
THU:	8:00am	Frank Spisso Sr.
FRI:	8:00am	Joe & Olga Rojas
SAT:	8:00am	Jaclyn Laskowski
	5:30pm	Jaclyn Laskowski
SUN:	7:00am	All Parishioners, Living & Deceased
	9:00am	Claudia Schirripa-Szulwach; Virginus Nwachukwu
LATIN:	10:15am	Chris Lynch (living)
	11:30am	Giuseppe & Teresa DeMaria
	1:00pm	– <i>por los difuntos</i> –

**+ PRAY FOR +
All Deceased Parishioners**

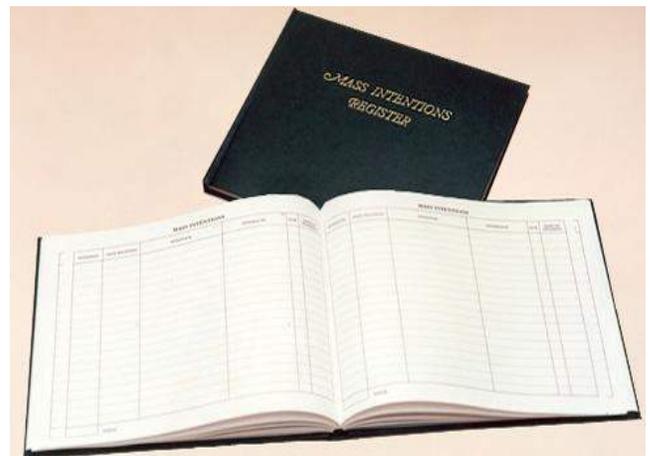


ALL SOULS DAY REMEMBRANCE

Anyone wishing to have a loved one remembered on All Souls Day and throughout the month of November can do so by using the envelope provided in your envelope packet or a regular white envelope (or any color).

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2

THE 2026 PARISH MASS BOOK OPENED ON OCTOBER 14



THE 2025 PARISH MASS BOOK OPENED

On Tuesday, **October 14**, the 2026 Parish Mass Book opened. If you missed the opening day, you may call the Parish Office at 845-343-6013 to make an appointment.

There are limits on requesting Masses in this beginning stage. You may request up to a total of SIX masses, but not more than TWO may be for Saturday evening or Sunday Masses. Please call ahead of coming

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

There is a second collection today for the Missions throughout the world. Please be as generous as your means permit.

PERPETUAL ADORATION



As we move deep into October, we have many days filled with clouds and a brisk breeze. Sometimes we find ourselves walking quickly and with heads down to avoid the chill. Our view is of the rustling leaves swirling about to find a resting place for the winter. They hurry along just as we do, but they do not know where they are going. As we walk along, we DO have a destination and glance up to gauge our progress. In so doing, we may spot the sun shining through the branches of the barren trees. Ah, the beautiful sun trying to warm us as we bustle along!

Our destination might seem to us to be a store, a friend's house, or a child's soccer game. However, we must remember our true destination is heaven. To reach heaven, we must look up and see the Son Who came and died for our sins and restored us to the Father. Our souls long for the warmth and gentleness of the Son, Jesus. We experience His closeness in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, but we do well to spend time with Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament. When we enter the silence of the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, we enter Jesus' true Presence. There, we see Jesus, true God and true Man, in the Blessed Sacrament exposed in the monstrance for our Adoration. Come and sit with Jesus. Experience His peace and warmth. Be assured of your final destination.

The chapel is open 24/7. Jesus is waiting for you. Come spend some time with Him at least once a week and more often if you can. You are invited to become a Guardian of the Eucharist. Choose a specific hour of any day of the week and make a commitment to visit Jesus for that hour every week. Once you decide, call **Martin** or **Clarice Suchy** at 845-692-4510. You will be joining a group of fellow Guardians, more than 300 strong. There can never be too many Guardians as Jesus deserves the love of all of us.

Hours of Urgent Need

Sunday: 3-4 a.m. Monday: 11 a.m. - Noon
Saturday: 5-6 p.m.

Hours in Need of an Extra Guardian

Sunday: 11a.m. - Noon Saturday: 10-11 p.m.
Thursday: 6-7 p.m.



The Order or Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA or RCIA) is a process of spiritual conversion and growth, over time, in one's relationship with God and the Catholic Church. It is a journey in which adults are fully welcomed into the Catholic Church.

If you are interested in exploring a relationship with Jesus, becoming Catholic; and being fully initiated into the Catholic Church through the celebration of the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist, we welcome you! Call the Parish Office for more information or to sign up for classes at 845-343-6013.



Our Annual Christmas Bazaar will be held on Saturday, **November 8** from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. in the gymnasium. Tables are available to rent for \$35.00 each. For more information, please call the Parish Office at 845-343-6013. Please leave your name and phone number and someone will get back to you. Thank you.

Raffle tickets for our RESTAURANT RAFFLE, valued at \$500.00 will be sold after all the Masses on **October 18** and **19** and **November 1** and **2**. The cost is \$5.00 per ticket and the drawing will be held the day of the bazaar, **November 8**. Thank you for your continued support.

We will need bakers for our **COOKIE WALK**, a popular feature of our bazaar. If you are able to bake a few batches of your favorite cookie(s), please call **Marilyn Hoffman** at 845-733-1237. Your help will be greatly appreciated.

Donations are being accepted for the White Elephant table starting **October 6**. Only items in good condition will be accepted. **NO CLOTHING**. Please call the Parish Office at 845-343-6013 and leave your name and phone number and someone will get back to you.

PRAY FOR ORANGE COUNTY CLERGY

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

- October 18:** Deceased & ill Priests and deacons
October 19: **Most Rev. Gerardo Colacicco**
October 20: **Rev. Frank Borkowski**
Rev. George Hafemann
October 21: **Rev. Anthony Giacona**
Deacon John Pelella
October 22: **Rev. Bladi Socualaya**
Rev. Joseph Tokarczyk
October 23: **Rev. Joseph Tyrell**
Deacon Leonard Farmer
October 24: **Rev. Paul Denault, O.Carm.**
Rev. Sean Harlow, O.Carm.
October 25: **Priests & deacons who have served in the deanery**
October 26: **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.

GARNET HEALTH MEDICAL CENTER

Garnet Medical Center is currently without a Catholic chaplain. If you or a loved one will be entering the hospital for a procedure and would like the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, please plan ahead to be anointed either at church or at home before you enter the hospital. Call the Parish Office at 845-343-6013.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

St. Anastasia Church in Harriman invites anyone who suffers the loss of a loved one to their Bereavement Support Group in the Cardinal O'Connor Room (located under the Shrine Church) at 21 North Street, Harriman. The group meets on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month at 10:00 a.m. Please call **Lorraine Pisciotta** for more information at 845-590-9006.

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 be on **November 12**. All are welcome.*



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. The meetings are held in the Parish Center building at St. Joseph's Church.



SCAM ALERT

Parishioners have been receiving emails and texts from scammers posing as **Father Dennis, Father Kevin** or others asking for help and trying to get money and gift cards. Do not believe these requests or reply to any of the communications. Our priests would not and never have contacted parishioners for help in such a manner. The emails and texts may appear to be from the priests, a staff member or the parish, but they are not. If you are in doubt, call us directly. The police are aware of these scams. Your concern for our priests is greatly appreciated.

UPCOMING DATES

SAVE THE DATE

- NOV 1:** All Saints Day
(Not a Holy day of obligation this year)
- NOV 2:** Commemoration of All Souls
- NOV 8:** Parish Christmas Bazaar
- NOV 27:** Thanksgiving Day Mass at 9:00 a.m.
- DEC 8:** Immaculate Conception
- DEC 12-14:** Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass & Festival



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