



Church of St. Joseph

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*Solemnity of
Christ the King
November 23, 2025*

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.

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

*Welcome to
Our Parish*



SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING

NOVEMBER 23, 2025



MASS INTENTIONS

for the Week of November 23 – November 30

SAT:	5:30pm	All Parishioners, Living & Deceased
SUN:	7:00am	Elizabeth & Joseph Woods
	9:00am	Tom Ogden; The Gurrier Family
LATIN:	10:15am	– <i>Special Intention</i> –
	11:30am	Adrienne Rivera
	1:00pm	Manuel Piquero
MON:	8:00am	Dario Diaz Sr.
TUES:	8:00am	Mary Panaro
WED:	8:00am	James & Jean Gordon
	7:00pm	– <i>por los difuntos</i> –
THU:	9:00am	Thanksgiving Mass
FRI:	8:00am	St. Joseph Purgatorial Society
SAT:	8:00am	Adrienne Rivera
	5:30pm	All Parishioners, Living & Deceased
SUN:	7:00am	Mary Ellen Schwartz
	9:00am	Biaggio & Rosa Lombardo; Scott J. & Ashley M. Dibisceglio
LATIN:	10:15am	Stolarz Family
	11:30am	Antonietta Gesualdo
	1:00pm	– <i>por los difuntos</i> –

+ PRAY FOR +

Philomena (Patruno) Van Sciver



THANKSGIVING MASS AT 9 A.M.

Please join us for the Mass on Thanksgiving (**November 27**) at 9:00 a.m. in the main church. All are welcome.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Last week we thanked all who helped make our Christmas Bazaar a great success. This week, we'd like to recognize and thank **Barbara Ogden** for coordinating the event and making it more and more enjoyable and successful every year!

Congratulations to: **Diana Alvarez**, the winner of our Restaurant Raffle.

ADOPT A CHILD

An Advent Wreath will be placed on the Altar on the weekend of **November 29 and 30** containing candles either for a boy or girl and also the age of the child. If you are able, please take a candle and purchase a toy for the boy or girl. Please attach the candle to the



UNWRAPPED gift and return to the church by **December 6 and 7**. Thank you for your continued support. It is really appreciated.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Office is located at **111 Cottage Street** – the building to the left of the school. We ask that you call the office before visiting **845-343-6013**.

Office Hours

Monday 9 a.m.-12 noon,
Tuesday & Thursday 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Saturdays: Limited services available, please call.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

Regardless of what building or person you are wishing to correspond with:

ALL MAIL MUST STILL BE ADDRESSED TO:

Church of St. Joseph
149 Cottage Street, Middletown, NY 10940

You may write the person or department you wish to reach by adding *Attn: Name or department you are sending mail to*.

PERPETUAL ADORATION



The Solemnity of Jesus Christ the King is celebrated on the last Sunday of the Liturgical year. It was instituted by **Pope Pius XI** in 1925. The Holy Father wrote his encyclical **Quas primas** (“**In the first**”) in response to growing secularism and atheism. He recognized that “thrust Jesus Christ and his holy law” out of public life would result in continuing discord among people and nations. This solemnity reminds us that although governments come and go, Christ reigns forever.

He must reign in our minds, which should assent with perfect submission and firm belief to revealed truths and the doctrines of Christ. He must reign in our wills, which should obey the laws and precepts of God. He must reign in our hearts, which should spurn natural desires and love God above all things and cleave to Him alone. He must reign in our bodies and in our members, which should serve as instruments for the interior sanctification of our souls.

(Quas primas, 33)

This solemnity of Jesus Christ the King encourages us to celebrate and live out our faith in public. “... *by public Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament exposed and by solemn processions, men unite in paying homage to Christ, Whom God has given them for their King.*”

(Quas primas, 26)

Resolve to adore our King frequently! Visits to the Blessed Sacrament and Holy Hours of Adoration are most pleasing to Jesus. Perhaps today or sometime during this week, you might make a stop to visit Jesus and praise Him as our King. Bring your children, invite your family and friends as well. Our Blessed Sacrament Chapel is open 24/7. If you can commit to one specific hour of Adoration each week, we invite you to become a Guardian of the Eucharist. For information, please call **Martin** or **Clarice Suchy** at 845-692-4510.

Hours of Urgent Need

Sunday: 2-3 a.m.

Sunday: 3-4 a.m.

Sunday: 1-2 p.m.

Sunday: 2-3 p.m.

Thursday: 10-11 p.m.

PRAY FOR ORANGE COUNTY CLERGY

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

November 23: Timothy Cardinal Dolan
November 24: Rev. Robert Traudt, O.Carm.
Rev. Augustine Graap, O.Carm
November 25: Rev. Gregoire Fluet
Deacon Michael McCabe
November 26: Rev. Charles Chukwuani
Rev. Vincent Odikanoro
November 27: Rev. Mark Connell
Deacon Edmund Lazarr
November 28: Rev. Frank Nacarato
Rev. Joseph Komonchak
November 29: deceased priests & deacons
November 30: Pope Leo XIV

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.

ALL SOULS REMEMBRANCE

Anyone wishing to have a loved one remembered 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).

OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL BINGO

The Women’s Group at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish is having Pocketbook Bingo on Sunday November 30 - \$45.00 per ticket

- Doors open at 1:00 p.m.
- event starts at 2:00 p.m.
- 10 rounds of BINGO
- Door prize ticket
- Tricky Tray
- 50/50 / Pinko Tickets
- Coffee, tea and snacks provided
- Bring your own snacks and drinks

Call Mt. Carmel for details: 845-343-4121

GIRL SCOUTS RELIGIOUS AWARDS

Girl Scout Troop members, working on Catholic scouting Religious Awards, meet on Monday evenings. They are a Catholic based group working on the Catholic religious emblems. They are currently working towards the President Volunteer Award (signed by the President of the United States) as well as various Girl Scout Badges. The troop is open to all girls in Kindergarten to 12th grade. Come join us and have fun. For information, please call 854-344-4298 (please leave a message).

CHRISTMAS CHOIR



Choir rehearsals for Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve are scheduled for Mondays **December 1, 8, and 15** in the church choir loft starting promptly at 8 p.m. and lasting till about 9:30 p.m. Attendance at all three is required in order to sing for Midnight Mass. We would love to see you.

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Invite You to
Light Up



Join Us for the
for Christ

**Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony and
Blessing**

Tuesday, December 2, 7:00 p.m.

St. Joseph's Church
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*Reception with coffee, hot chocolate, and sweet
treats to follow in the Parish Center.*

ST. JOSEPH'S PURGATORIAL SOCIETY

All parishioners have the opportunity to enroll the names of deceased loved ones in the Purgatorial Society. The Purgatorial Society Mass will be held on the last Friday of each month at **8:00 a.m.** in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel beginning in **January, 2026**. The offering to be enrolled in the Purgatorial Society is \$120 per name (a total of 12 Masses for one year will be said for your loved one). Please fill out the form and include a check or money order, if you are interested in having a loved one enrolled. Aside from listing one name, the listing of a husband and wife together or a family name is also acceptable.

Enrollment in the St. Joseph's Purgatorial Society is a great act of charity towards our beloved dead ensuring that they are being prayed for all year round at God's Altar. The names of the souls for whom we are praying will be visibly presented on an elegant board placed in the sanctuary at the Purgatorial Society Mass. After enrollment, you will be contacted for the opportunity to renew your enrollment for another year.

2026

St. Joseph's Purgatorial Society Form

**Name of the deceased to be prayed for at
Mass:**

Name of the purchaser of the enrollment:

Today's Date:

Your contact information:

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