

Church of the Sacred Heart

145 Randolph Avenue + Clifton, New Jersey + 07011



The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time January 18, 2026

PASTORAL TEAM

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MASS TIMES

Saturday: 12:00p.m. Noon, 5:00p.m. (Anticipated), 7:00p.m. (Español)

Sunday: 8:00a.m. (EF: Latin), 10:00a.m., 12:00p.m.

Weekdays: 12:00p.m., 7:00p.m. (Español: lunes, martes, jueves, viernes)

Holy Days: 12:00p.m., 6:00p.m. ()

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

All Fridays following the
12:00 pm Mass until after the 7:00pm
Every Sat. following the 12:00pm
1st Saturday at 8:00 am until after the 12:00pm
Mass

CONFESSIONS

Sat. 4:00p.m. - 4:45p.m. or
contact

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Baptism 1st and 3rd Sunday

Baptism Meeting: Thursday, prior to

DEVOTIONS AND NOVENAS

Sacred Heart: Fridays 12:00pm
Miraculous Medal: Mondays 12:00pm
Bilingual Marian Devotions: 1st Saturday
10:00am
Seven Sorrows of Mary Rosary: 1st Saturday
11:00am



Monday, January 19th

12:00 pm Spec. Int. for Maria & James Castillon *by Family*
 +Antonio Macavilca Isidro *by Family*
 7:00 pm Por las Almas del Purgatorio

Tuesday, January 20th

Saint Fabian, Pope and Martyr; Saint Sebastian, Martyr

12:00 pm Healing Int. for Isiloa Oliveira *by Georganne Antal*
 7:00 pm Cumpleaños de Gloria Vidal *por Hortencia Facuse*
 +Antonio Macavilca Isidro *by Family*

Wednesday, January 21st

Saint Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

12:00 pm +Anita Lipari *by Barbosa Family*

Thursday, January 22nd

Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of the Unborn Children

12:00 am +Barbara Lissi *by Friend*
 7:00 pm +Antonio Macavilca Isidro *by Family*

Friday, January 23rd

Saint Vincent, Deacon and Martyr;

Saint Marianne Cope, Virgin

12:00 pm + Viola Greco *by Frank & Lydia Karpack*
 7:00 pm +Antonio Macavilca Isidro *by Family*
 Salud de Rosa Cubero *por Hortencia Facuse*

Saturday, January 24th

Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

12:00 pm Celsa Donenghi
 5:00 pm Memorial Mass
 7:00 pm Salud de Ana Garay *por Hortencia Facuse*

Sunday, January 25th

Third Sunday in Ordinary Times

8:00am Brandon J. Sanchez *by Georganne Antal*
 Rene Valmores Pelaez
 For the Souls in Purgatory
 10:00 am +Regina & Leone Milanese *by Agnolet Family*
 12:00 pm +Jean Lesch

Dear Parishioners,

Please note that our envelope company printing machine broke down and that is why we haven't received the new envelopes. They are now being printed and will be mailed this week. Please put your church donation in an envelope with your name and envelope number if you know it. Thank you

Memorial Intentions for 5:00 p.m. Mass for the Month of January

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- ❖ Alfonso & Aurelia Bisa
- ❖ Anne & Bob Cordaro
- ❖ Deceased Mem. of Candela/Terranova Families
- ❖ Deceased Mem. of Di Pietro-Vidal Families
- ❖ Dolores Scucci
- ❖ Ennio Scarduffa
- ❖ Fr. John Connolly
- ❖ Jane Huddy
- ❖ John M. & Charlotte Bagatti
- ❖ Joseph & Anita Lipari
- ❖ Joseph & Molly Crocco
- ❖ Leo & Jean Horant
- ❖ Louise Marinari
- ❖ Lydia Cadigan
- ❖ Mary & Leo III Horant
- ❖ Msgr. Julian Varettoni
- ❖ Por las Almas del Purgatorio
- ❖ Rina Taboada
- ❖ Robert A. Belski
- ❖ Sallyann Chiappone
- ❖ Stanley Bavaro

Registration: All are welcome! Sponsorship letters for the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation or Matrimony Will only be issued to registered parishioners. Please contact the Parish Office to register and please also notify the Parish Office of a change of address or if you plan to move from the parish so that we may keep our records updated.

Registro: ¡Todos son bienvenidos! Las cartas de patrocinio para los Sacramentos de Bautismo, Confirmación o Matrimonio solo se emitirán a los feligreses registrados. Por favor, comuníquese con la Oficina Parroquial para registrarse y también notifique a la Oficina Parroquial si cambia de dirección o si planea mudarse de la parroquia, para que podamos mantener nuestros registros actualizados

Estimados feligreses:

Por favor tengan en cuenta que la máquina de impresión de nuestra compañía de sobres se averió, y por eso no hemos recibido los nuevos sobres. Ya se están imprimiendo y serán enviados por correo esta semana. Por favor coloque su donación para la iglesia en un sobre con su nombre y, si lo conoce, su número de sobre. Gracias.

From the Pastor's Desk



"Behold, The Lamb of God!"

Last Sunday, we concluded the Liturgical Season of Christmas with the celebration of the Baptism of Jesus. The Gospel for today brings us back to that event from the point-of-view of the Fourth Gospel authored by the Apostle and Evangelist Saint John. In the Gospel today, we find Saint John the Baptist giving living witness and testimony to who Jesus is. John testifies that Jesus is: "A man coming after me who ranks ahead of me because He existed before me." In this John witnesses to Jesus as the eternal God, the Word made flesh, who in the Incarnation became a living human being, sharing our nature in all things but sin in order to save us. John the Baptist further states that he is a witness of the presence of the Holy Spirit with the words: "I saw the Spirit come down like a dove from heaven and remain upon Him." The presence of God's Spirit is proof that Jesus is the chosen Son of God sent to save people from sin and eternal death. In the first reading, the prophet Isaiah witnesses to one who will be: "a light to the nations that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth." In the second reading, Saint Paul gives witness that he has been: "called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God." All of this shows a deeper understanding of who Jesus really is, especially on the part of Saint John the Evangelist as to the identity and purpose of Jesus' life and earthly ministry. In the beginning of today's Gospel John, the Baptist proclaims that Jesus is the: "Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world." As in the Book of Exodus, the symbolism of the lamb's blood which marks the doorposts of the people of Israel in their Passover from the slavery of Egypt to the freedom of the promised land, so in the same way is Jesus proclaimed as the "Lamb of God" who by His death and resurrection will liberate the world from the slavery of sin and eternal death. Once again does Saint John the Baptist point the world to Jesus who is the source of everlasting salvation. Each time we gather to celebrate Mass we encounter the presence of Christ in both Word and Sacrament. We listen intently to the Scriptures proclaimed. Although they were written thousands of years ago in languages and cultures foreign to us, nevertheless their message is as relevant and meaningful to us today as in the day they were first written. We are invited to share in the Eucharist, the memorial of Christ's perfect sacrifice. The grace we receive in the Eucharist is truly our spiritual nourishment in our journey to God's Kingdom.

"Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world." We hear these same words from today's Gospel at every Mass before we receive Holy Communion. As we continue our celebration of the Eucharist today and always, may we be nourished by Jesus, the Lamb of God we are so privileged to receive. Strengthened by the Eucharist, may we have the courage like John the Baptist in today's Gospel to both testify and witness to Jesus in our world by our words and most especially our actions!



Mass Readings for the Second Week in Ordinary Time

Monday, January 19

1 Samuel 15: 16-23 Mark 2: 18-22

Tuesday, January 20:

Saint Fabian, Pope and Saint Sebastian, Martyrs

1 Samuel 16: 1-13 Mark 2: 23-28

Wednesday, January 21:

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1 Samuel 17: 32-33,37; 40-51 Mark 3: 1-6

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1 Samuel 18: 6-9; 19: 1-7 Mark 3: 7-12

Friday, January 23: Saint Vincent, Deacon and Martyr

1 Samuel 24: 3-21 Mark 3: 13-19

Saturday, January 24:

***Saint Francis De Sales,
Bishop and Doctor of the Church***

2 Samuel 1: 1-4,11-12; 19: 23-27 Mark 3: 20-21

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, January 25, 2026

Isaiah 8: 23---9:3 1 Corinthians 1: 10-13, 17 Matthew 4: 12-23

Sobre la Palabra de Dios

Amados Hijos e Hijas de Dios

«¡He aquí el Cordero de Dios!»

El domingo pasado concluimos el Tiempo Litúrgico de Navidad con la celebración del Bautismo de Jesús. El Evangelio de hoy nos devuelve a ese acontecimiento desde el punto de vista del Cuarto Evangelio, escrito por el apóstol y evangelista San Juan. En el Evangelio de hoy encontramos a San Juan Bautista dando testimonio vivo de quién es Jesús. Juan declara que Jesús es: «un hombre que viene detrás de mí, pero que está delante de mí, porque existía antes que yo». Con esto, Juan da testimonio de que Jesús es el Dios eterno, el Verbo hecho carne, quien en la Encarnación se hizo verdadero hombre, compartiendo nuestra naturaleza en todo menos en el pecado, para salvarnos.

San Juan Bautista afirma además que es testigo de la presencia del Espíritu Santo con estas palabras: «Vi que el Espíritu bajaba del cielo como una paloma y se posaba sobre Él». La presencia del Espíritu de Dios es prueba de que Jesús es el Hijo escogido de Dios, enviado para salvar a las personas del pecado y de la muerte eterna. En la primera lectura, el profeta Isaías da testimonio de Aquel que será «luz de las naciones, para que mi salvación llegue hasta los confines de la tierra». En la segunda lectura, San Pablo da testimonio de que ha sido «llamado a ser apóstol de Cristo Jesús por voluntad de Dios».

Todo esto nos muestra una comprensión más profunda de quién es realmente Jesús, especialmente por parte de San Juan Evangelista, respecto a la identidad y la finalidad de la vida y del ministerio terrenal de Jesús. Al comienzo del Evangelio de hoy, Juan el Bautista proclama que Jesús es el: «Cordero de Dios, que quita el pecado del mundo». Así como en el libro del Éxodo el simbolismo de la sangre del cordero que marcó los dinteles de las casas del pueblo de Israel en su Pascua, pasando de la esclavitud de Egipto a la libertad de la tierra prometida, de la misma manera Jesús es proclamado como el «Cordero de Dios» que, por su muerte y resurrección, liberará al mundo de la esclavitud del pecado y de la muerte eterna. Una vez más, San Juan Bautista señala al mundo a Jesús, fuente de la salvación eterna.

Cada vez que nos reunimos para celebrar la Misa, encontramos la presencia de Cristo tanto en la Palabra como en el Sacramento. Escuchamos atentamente las Sagradas Escrituras proclamadas. Aunque fueron escritas hace miles de años en lenguas y culturas ajenas a las nuestras, su mensaje sigue siendo hoy tan relevante y significativo como el día en que fueron escritas. Somos invitados a participar de la Eucaristía, memorial del sacrificio perfecto de Cristo. La gracia que recibimos en

la Eucaristía es verdaderamente nuestro alimento espiritual en el camino hacia el Reino de Dios.

«He aquí el Cordero de Dios que quita el pecado del mundo». Escuchamos estas mismas palabras del Evangelio de hoy en cada Misa antes de recibir la Sagrada Comunión. Al continuar nuestra celebración de la Eucaristía hoy y siempre, que seamos alimentados por Jesús, el Cordero de Dios que tenemos el privilegio de recibir. Fortalecidos por la Eucaristía, que tengamos el valor, como san Juan Bautista en el Evangelio de hoy, de dar testimonio y anunciar a Jesús en nuestro mundo con nuestras palabras y, especialmente, con nuestras acciones.



Lecturas de la Misa para **La Segunda Semana del Tiempo Ordinario**

lunes, 19 de enero

1 Samuel 15, 16-23 · Marcos 2, 18-22

martes, 20 de enero:

San Fabián, Papa, y San Sebastián, Mártires

1 Samuel 16, 1-13 · Marcos 2, 23-28

miércoles, 21 de enero: Santa Inés, Virgen y Mártir

1 Samuel 17, 32-33.37; 40-51 · Marcos 3, 1-6

jueves, 22 de enero:

Día de Oración por la Protección
Legal de los Niños por Nacer

1 Samuel 18, 6-9; 19, 1-7 · Marcos 3, 7-12

viernes, 23 de enero: San Vicente, Diácono y Mártir

1 Samuel 24, 3-21 · Marcos 3, 13-19

sábado, 24 de enero:

San Francisco de Sales, Obispo y Doctor de la Iglesia

2 Samuel 1, 1-4.11-12; 19, 23-27 · Marcos 3, 20-21

Tercer Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario, **25 de enero de 2026**

Isaías 8, 23—9, 3 · 1 Corintios 1, 10-13.17 · Mateo 4, 12-23

Religious Education Classes

O.C.I.A. Classes

Friday, January 23, February 6, 2026
at 10:30 am in the Connolly Center



****Please Note****

All meetings will take place in the Connolly Center

Pastoral Council Meeting

Tuesday, **January 20** at 1:30pm

Coffee Fellowship **Sunday, February 1** after the 10am and 12 noon Masses in the Connolly Center

SAVE THE DATE

February 21, 2026

The Rosary Society is holding a Lenten soup and salad after the 12:00 noon mass on **Saturday, February 21, 2026.**

Food Collection Notice

Food donations will be collected **only on the fourth weekend of each month.**

Please check expiration dates before donating.
Do not leave food in the vestibule at any other time.
Thank you for your cooperation and generosity!



Aviso de Recolección de Alimentos

Las donaciones de alimentos se recogerán **solo el cuarto fin de semana de cada mes.**

Por favor, revise las fechas de vencimiento antes de donar.
No deje alimentos en el vestíbulo en ningún otro momento. ¡Gracias por su cooperación y generosidad!

A poster for "EXODUS 90" featuring a central image of a man in a dark robe with a halo, holding a staff. The text includes "CALLING ALL MEN", "7:30 PM Wednesday Evenings starting Jan. 7th", "BECOME UNCOMMONLY FREE IN CHRIST", and "Join us on a journey of prayer, asceticism, and brotherhood that helps men break free from bad habits, distractions, and lukewarm prayer." At the bottom, it says "SAINT MICHAEL'S 415 Lackawana Ave Woodland Park, NJ" and "FOR MORE INFO REACH OUT TO CHRIS AT CHRISLOBOLAW@GMAIL.COM".

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2025 Diocesan Ministries Appeal

"Three Counties, One Family of Faith"

There is still time to support the 2025 Diocesan Ministries Appeal! Perhaps you have received a final request from Bishop Sweeney asking for your support or you have seen information on our website or social media and just haven't gotten around to contributing. Every gift is important and a blessing for thousands throughout the Diocese of Paterson. Please help support the dozens of Catholic Charities programs and ministries, Nazareth Village, our retired priests' healthcare needs, Catholic urban education, seminarian formation as well as the renovation of the Father English Pantry in Paterson, where thousands of people are helped each month. The 2025 Appeal supports this vital work through the end of the diocesan fiscal year on June 30, 2026. May God bless you for your support!

Please consider a donation to the 2025 Diocesan Ministries Appeal at www.2025appeal.org

RESERVE LA FECHA: 21 de febrero de 2026

La Sociedad del Rosario ofrecerá una sopa y ensalada de Cuaresma después de la misa de las 12:00 del mediodía el **sábado, 21 de febrero de 2026.**

Campaña para los Ministerios Diocesanos 2025

"Tres Condados, Una Familia de Fe"

Aún hay tiempo para apoyar la Campaña de los Ministerios Diocesanos 2025! A lo mejor hayas recibido una petición final por correo del Obispo Sweeney pidiéndole su apoyo, o has visto información en nuestro sitio web o en las redes sociales, y simplemente no has tenido tiempo para contribuir. Cada donativo es importante y es una bendición para miles a lo largo y ancho de la Diócesis de Paterson. Por favor apoya las docenas de programas y ministerios de Caridades Católicas, Nazareth Village, la necesidad de atención medica del sacerdote adulto mayor jubilado, la educación católica en zonas urbanas, la formación de seminaristas, así como también la renovación del Banco de alimentos Father English Food Pantry en Paterson, donde ayudamos a miles de personas cada mes. La Campaña 2025 apoya esta obra vital hasta final del año fiscal diocesano que termina el 30 de junio 2026. Que Dios te bendiga por tu apoyo! Por favor considera hacer un donativo a la Campaña para los Ministerios Diocesanos 2025 o visita www.2025appeal.org para hacer un regalo hoy.

Collections for January 10-11

\$2,568.00

NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE
2026
NACIONAL MARCHA POR LA VIDA
2026



Together, we march for life
WASHINGTON, D.C.
JANUARY 23RD, 2026

Join the Diocese of Paterson at the National March for Life. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Kevin Sweeney. The march will take place directly after Mass.

Únase a la Diócesis de Paterson en la Marcha Nacional por la Vida. La misa será celebrada por el obispo Kevin Sweeney. La marcha tendrá lugar inmediatamente después de la misa.

For more information on travel and how to register, scan the QR code or go to <https://insidethewalls.org/national-march-for-life>



Para obtener más información sobre los viajes y cómo registrarse, escanee el código QR o visite la siguiente página web:
<https://insidethewalls.org/national-march-for-life>

National March for Life

Friday, January 23 (This is an all-day event)

Registration for the National March for Life is now open! If you would like to attend, please use the link below to register and learn more. This is such an important event, and we would love for the diocese to show up and show our support. The full schedule of the day can also be found using the link below.

\$65 Busing Fee

Women's Health and Fertility Awareness


Monday, January 26 at 7:30 PM

Held Virtually on Zoom


Come learn the most effective, natural, healthy, and inexpensive system integrating excellent women's health and true family planning for couples trying to achieve pregnancy, couples having infertility concerns, or couples planning to postpone pregnancy, all within God's natural design. St. Paul Inside the Walls offers three different methods to Natural Family Planning: the Creighton Method, the Marquette Method, and the Sympto Pro Method. This month will focus on the Marquette Method.

\$25 Entry

2026
DIOCESAN
REGIONAL
RETREATS



LIVING AS A MODERN DISCIPLE



MAX OF 100 YOUTH PER RETREAT.
COST PER PERSON IS \$35 (INCLUDES LUNCH AND PROGRAM COSTS)
RETREAT OPEN TO ALL YOUTH IN GRADES 8-12.
THREE LOCATIONS AND DATES! CHOOSE ONE!

MORRIS COUNTY JANUARY 24, 2026 10AM-4PM RESURRECTION CHURCH 651 MILLBROOK AVE, RANDOLPH, NJ 07869	SUSSEX COUNTY FEBRUARY 21, 2026 10AM-4PM GOOD SHEPHERD 48 TRANQUILITY RD, ANDOVER, NJ 07821	PASSAIC COUNTY MARCH 21, 2026 10AM-4PM OUR LADY OF CONSOLATION 1799 HAMBURG TPKE, WAYNE, NJ 07470
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THESE NEW RETREAT OPPORTUNITIES REPLACE THE PREVIOUS DIOCESAN CONFIRMATION RETREAT

2026 Diocesan Regional Retreats (Morris County)

Saturday, January 24, from 10 AM - 4 PM

Resurrection Church (651 Millbrook Ave., Randolph, NJ 07869)

All youth in grades 8 - 12 are welcome to attend the Diocesan Youth Regional Retreat! There are three retreats in the three counties of the diocese. This retreat will take place in Morris County, and only 100 spots are available for each session, so reserve your spot today! The theme is "Living as a Modern Disciple" and is an excellent opportunity to grow in faith together with your diocesan community.

\$35 Per Person Entry

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING



MARQUETTE METHOD

MONDAY, JANUARY 26
7:30 - 9 PM (ZOOM)



Let Us Continue to Adore Him!

Every Friday the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed following the 12 noon Mass, with Adoration all throughout the afternoon. At 3:00 pm join us in pray of the Divine Mercy Chaplet. The Adoration will conclude with Benediction after the 7pm Mass. Let us take the opportunity in this New year to draw closer to our Lord as we adore His presence in the Blessed Sacrament!



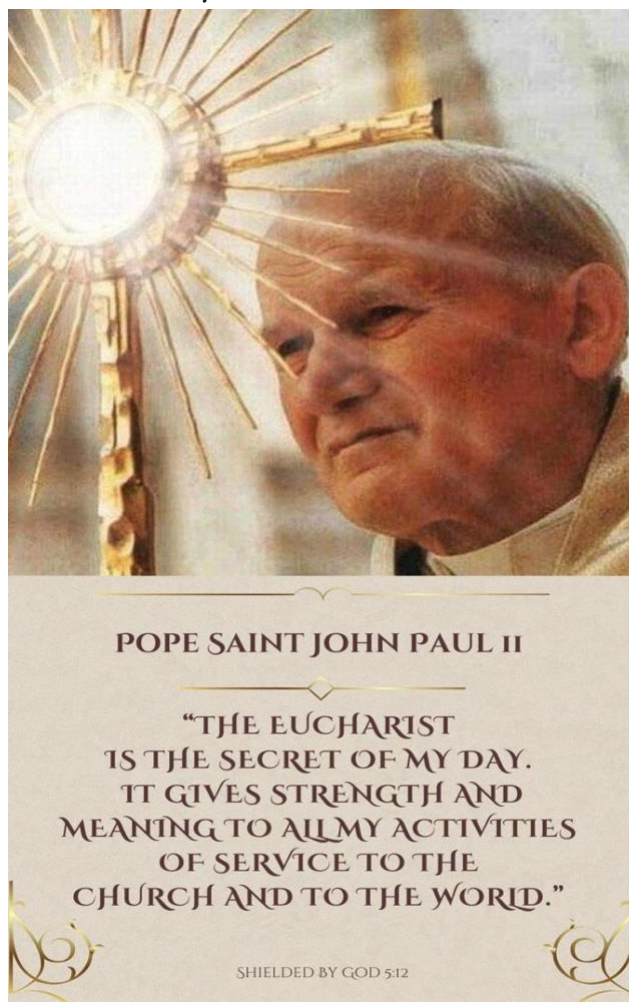
¡Sigamos Adorándole!

Cada viernes se expondrá el Santísimo Sacramento tras la misa del mediodía, con adoración durante toda la tarde. A las 3:00 pm acompáñanos a rezar la Coronilla de la Divina Misericordia. La Adoración concluirá con la bendición después de la misa de las 7:00pm. ¡Aprovechemos la oportunidad en este Año Nuevo para acercarnos a nuestro Señor mientras adoramos Su presencia en el Santísimo Sacramento!

The Need for Eucharistic Worship

The church and the world have a great need for Eucharistic worship. Jesus awaits us in this sacrament of love. Let us not refuse the time to go to meet Him in adoration, in contemplation full of faith, and open to making amends for the serious offenses and crimes of the world. Let our adoration never cease.

Pope St. John Paul II



POPE SAINT JOHN PAUL II

“THE EUCHARIST IS THE SECRET OF MY DAY. IT GIVES STRENGTH AND MEANING TO ALL MY ACTIVITIES OF SERVICE TO THE CHURCH AND TO THE WORLD.”

SHIELDED BY GOD 5:12

La Necesidad del Culto Eucarístico.

La Iglesia y el mundo tienen una gran necesidad del culto eucarístico. Jesús nos espera en este sacramento de amor. No nos neguemos a dedicar tiempo para ir a su encuentro en la adoración, en la contemplación llena de fe, y con el corazón abierto a reparar las graves ofensas y crímenes del mundo. Que nuestra adoración nunca cese.

Papa San Juan Pablo II

