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MISSION STATEMENT

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Eucharist

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 8:00, 9:30, 11:30 am

Weekdays 9:00 am

Holy Day of Obligation: see bulletin for Mass times

Baptism

Baptisms are on the first Sunday of the month at 1:00 pm. It is the law of the N.Y. Archdiocese that infants may only be baptized after the parents have attended an “Instruction on Baptism”. Please call the Parish Office for information.

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30 to 4:30 pm and by appointment

Please contact the Parish Office to make an appointment.

Marriage

Individual arrangements are to be made at the Parish Office as soon as possible and no less than six (6) months before the date of the intended wedding. Time for church instruction and preparation are required by Church law.

Anointing of the Sick

Call the Parish Office at any time. This sacrament is administered to those who are seriously ill due to sickness or age.

Ministry to the Homebound

The Eucharist will be brought to the home of any person permanently or temporarily homebound. Please contact the Parish Office.

R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

7-9 pm Mondays - Parish Center

Holy Hour

First Friday of the month 7:00-8:00

SERVED BY

Fr. Salvatore Cordaro, O.F.M., Cap. - Pastor
Fr. Robert Lasrado, O.F.M., Cap. - Parochial Vicar
Fr. Michael Marigliano, O.F.M., Cap. - In Residence
Deacon Phil Siani

St. Joseph Religious Education Program

Sr. Philomena Fleck O.S.B. Director of Religious Education

Tel. 845-255-0237

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You can find information about Religious Education on the parish website:

www.stjosephnewpaltz.org/religious-education

	<u>Monday</u>	
RCIA adapted for Children/Teens	6:45-8:00 PM	Church Hall
	<u>Tuesday</u>	
Grades 1-6	6:00 to 7:30 PM	Parish Center
	<u>Sunday</u>	
Pre-K/K	9:30 AM to 10:30 AM	Parish Center
Grades 1 - 6	10:45 AM to 12:15 PM	Parish Center



EVENTS OF THE WEEK:
November 26-December 3, 2023

- 26 Sun
- 27 Mon Senior Fitness Class- 9:15- Hall
 Food Pantry- 11:00-12:00- Hall
 RCIA for Children/Teens- 6:45- Hall
 RCIA for Adults- 7:00- Center
- 28 Tues Catholic Grandparents Association Meeting- 9:45 - Hall
 Food Pantry- 11:00-12:00- Hall
 Religious Education- 6:00- Center
 Ulster County Respect Life Committee Meeting- 7:00- Hall
- 29 Wed Food Pantry- 11:00- 12:00- Hall
- 30 Thurs AI-Anon Meeting-7:00-Center
- 1 Fri Food Pantry- 11:00-12:00- Hall
 Confirmation Preparation- 5:00- Hall
- 2 Sat Advent Day of Recollection- 9:45- Center
 Secular Franciscan Meeting- 10:00- Center
 Advent Wreath Making- 2:00- Hall
 Second Collection- Christmas Flowers
- 3 Sun First Sunday of Advent
 Second Collection- Christmas Flowers
 Sunday Social after all Masses- Hall
 Religious Education- 9:30- Center
 Children's Mass- 9:30- Church
 Advent Vespers- 5:00- Church

There will not be a First Friday Holy Hour in December because of the Confirmation class on December 1.

FUNERALS AT ST. JOSEPH'S:



CATHOLIC GRANDPARENTS ASSOCIATION- The next meeting of the Catholic Grandparents Association will be held on **Tuesday November 28 at 9:45 A.M.** in the church hall. In addition to faith-based discussion and prayer, we will be discussing upcoming events such as Baminelli Sunday. Refreshments available.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION-

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception will be celebrated on **Friday, December 8.** This is a holyday of obligation, and we will offer Masses on **Thursday evening at 7:00 P.M.** and on **Friday at 9:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M.**



CHILDREN'S MASS- On the first Sunday of every month the **9:30 Mass** will be a Children's Mass. This will not be a "kiddie Mass" with balloons! Rather, it will be one that will engage the whole family and help them all, and in a special way the children, to experience the liturgy in a more enjoyable and engaging way.

This Mass will have versions of the Scripture readings which are tailored to a 7th grade level; a homily that will be offered in the aisle and will be interactive; Religious Education students will proclaim the Scripture readings (not the introduction, the Prayer of the Faithful, or the announcements, though); and Religious Education students will bring up the gifts for the Offertory with their families. And of course we have our children as altar servers!

The next Children's Mass will be on **December 3.** Please join us for this experience of liturgy for all ages and please invite the people you know and love to celebrate the Eucharist with us.

SUNDAY SOCIAL- Our monthly Sunday Social is a very popular and very important of our parish life here at St. Joseph's. It is a great opportunity to get to know your fellow parishioners better and to build up our parish community, while enjoying some delicious food. There is also an area in the hall with toys and games where the children can play while you enjoy your food. Any help you can offer by bringing a homemade desserts or by cleaning up at the end of the gathering would be greatly appreciated.



The next Sunday Social will be on **December 3.** And please bring along your family and friends!



SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO ST. JOSEPH'S! - Come to our Sunday Social on **December 3 and meet Santa Claus!** He will be in our church hall from **9:00-11:00 A.M.** spreading Christmas cheer to children of all ages. Santa will also pose for photos. Let your family and friends know!

THANK YOU!- Scott and Tracy Arnold, the owners of the local business RYCOR HVAC, very generously donated a large amount of food for our food pantry on Saturday, November 11. They wanted to ensure that we had enough food to offer our brothers and sisters who will come to us during the holiday season looking for some help in getting food. They delivered the food with our local Cub Scout and Boy Scout troops, who also gave our pantry a large amount of food through their "Scouting for Food" program.

We offer our great thanks to them and to all those who support our food pantry- donors and volunteers- and we thank God we have such caring people in our community and our parish family.



OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

CELEBRATING ADVENT- The season of Advent begins on **Sunday, December 3** and is a joyous time of preparation for the coming of our Lord at Christmas. It is also a time to reflect on the loving presence of Jesus already among us and within us.

For ideas on how to celebrate this special season, please try these websites:

- ◆ <https://www.usccb.org/prayer-worship/liturgical-year/advent>
- ◆ <https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/liturgical-year/advent/>
- ◆ <https://www.ignatianspirituality.com/advent/>
- ◆ <https://www.dynamiccatholic.com/advent.html>
- ◆ <https://www.franciscanmedia.org/franciscan-spirit-blog/a-guided-tour-through-advent>
- ◆ <https://www.catholicmom.com/articles/advent-resources-for-you-and-your-family>
- ◆ <https://passionatepennypincher.com/reverse-advent-calendar/>
- ◆ There is also a free Catholic app called Hallow that has daily Scripture readings, reflections, meditations, litanies, rosary recitations and much more. For more information, please go to: <https://hallow.com/>



ADVENT REFLECTIONS ON ZOOM WITH SISTER PHILOMENA- For all our parishioners, near and far, Sr. Philomena will offer a series of Advent reflections on Zoom on each Wednesday of the season (**December 6, 13 and 20**) from **2:00-3:00 P.M.** We will reflect on the Scriptures, people, and practices related to this wonderful season and become more immersed in the holy longing and joy of this season of preparation.

Each session can stand on its own, and you can attend one or some of the dates. All are welcome to participate and if interested, please email Sr. Philomena at: Peacetwou2@gmail.com, and include your best email so a Zoom invitation can be sent to you before each session. Hope you can join us!



STUDENT MASS- The next Student Mass will be on **Sunday, December 10 at 6:00 P.M.** here in our church. Everyone is welcome to join us, whether you are in school or not.

ADVENT DAY OF RECOLLECTION- Sister Marita will offer an Advent retreat entitled "Jesus, Our Bread of Life" on **December 2 from 9:45 AM to 3 PM** in the parish center. As we await the coming of Christ during this Advent season, let us renew our devotion to Christ as he comes to us in the Eucharist. And let's reflect together on how we can experience this gift as Jesus intended.

ST. JOSEPH'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



In the midst of pre-Christmas activities and demands, a gift awaits us, waiting. Waiting can feel annoying, frustrating, something that blocks our way; however, the season of Advent, the four weeks before Christmas, invites us to embrace waiting as means to spiritual growth.

Advent starts next Sunday. In preparation, people of all ages are welcome to an Advent afternoon on **December 2nd from 2:00 – 4:00 pm.**

That afternoon will include making an Advent wreath and other activities that will prepare our mind and hearts for a deeper appreciation of this holy season of longing. **To ensure sufficient supplies, please let Sr. Philomena know if you plan to attend by Monday, November 27.** If you have travel size shampoo or body lotion you can donate, please bring them to the Parish Center before December 2 to include in blessing bags for the homeless.

*My soul waits for the Lord
more than those who watch for the morning,
more than those who watch for the morning.
Psalm 130:6*

Also, I am offering a Zoom reflection each Wednesday of Advent at 2:00 – 3:00 pm. All are welcome to attend. Just send a request and email address to peacetwou2@gmail.com and you will receive the link each week.

Peace,

Sr. Philomena, O.S.B.
845-255-5635 ext. 105 or 16religiouseducation@gmail.com



CHRISTMAS PRESENCE IS HERE!- Hundreds of children and adults have signed up for Christmas Presence, St. Joseph's holiday giving program. Now it's time to do our part. Look for the tag-covered Christmas trees at the church entrances and at the parish center. Select a tag for the type of gift you'd like to contribute.

There are three ways to participate:

- Purchase gifts and gift cards from a child's wish list.
- Purchase personal care gifts requested by senior citizens at New Paltz Center for Rehabilitation and Nursing.
- Purchase gift cards for residents at local domestic violence and homeless shelters.

More information about each giving method can be found on the gift tags or the flyers at the church entrances.

Bring your gift(s) back to St. Joseph's by Wednesday, December 6. Please leave gifts and gift cards at church only during the weekend Masses. At all other times, please bring them to the parish office during regular office hours (Monday - Thursday from 9:30 A.M.- 4:00 P.M. and Friday from 9:30 A.M.- 1:00 P.M.)

For more information, please contact Linda Landman at lindamland@aol.com or the parish office at stjoenp@stjosephnewpaltz.org.

Thank you!

NOVEMBER 26– DECEMBER 3, 2023

PARISHIONERS IN THE MILITARY: Please pray for the safety of our parishioners in the military. To add names to this list, please e-mail: stjoenp@stjosephnewpaltz.org with the parishioner name, rank, and branch of service if you would like them added to the list.

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 Brian Donahue, Airman E3, US Navy Reserve
 Midshipman Patrick Melanson, US Navy
 Captain Zachary Thor, US Army
 Nicholas Mosconi, US Navy
 Donald Fecher, US Air Force Reserve

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	November 25, 2023	
	5:00	St. Joseph Parish Family
Sunday	November 26, 2023	
	8:00	+ Scandariato Family
	9:30	+ Toni Ann Silvestre
	11:30	+ Adolph & Hildegard Razz
Monday	9:00	+ Raymond Archer
Tuesday	9:00	+ Steve Schmidt
Wednesday	9:00	+ McCroary John Domitrovits
Thursday	9:00	+ Judy Keeton McLaughlin
Friday	9:00	+ Daniel & Gertrude Gaffney
Saturday	December 2, 2023	
	9:00	Living & Deceased Members of Our Secular Franciscan Fraternity
	5:00	+ Judy Keeton McLaughlin
Sunday	December 3, 2023	
	8:00	+ Anthony Pucek
	9:30	“L” Wilson/Ibsen Family
	11:30	+ Donna LaPolt

ALTAR BREAD AND WINE

2nd Two Weeks of November– Rose & Salvatore Lavolsi
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VIGIL LIGHT

2nd Two Weeks of November– Angela Davies & Ken Clausey

“Jesus said to his disciples: ‘When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit upon his glorious throne, and all the nations will be assembled before him.’”

Matthew 25: 31-32

AN ADVENT MORNING OF PRAYER- All the members of the parish are invited to join us for an Advent Morning of Prayer on the following Mondays: **December 4, 11 and 18.** It will be held from **9:45-11:00 A.M.** in the conference room in the parish center. We will pray with Advent Scripture passages using the Lectio Divina style of praying which combines reading, time for reflection, and time for sharing our reflections. **Please** bring your own Bible. If you have any questions, please email Sr. Elizabeth Anne at dipippoe@newpaltz.edu



AN INVITATION TO ADVENT SUNDAY VESPERS- You are invited to participate in Vespers, the evening prayer of the Church, with Sr. Philomena and Sr. Marita. They will be in our church at **5:00 P.M.** on the first three Sundays in Advent (**December 3, 10 and 17**). A Benedictine psalm arrangement will be used and prayer booklets will be provided. All are welcome.

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE- There will be a special Mass on **Tuesday, December 12 at 7:00 P.M.** in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe, the patron saint of the Americas. The Mass will be bilingual and will be sponsored by Brazos Abiertos, the Hispanic ministry that has been such a wonderful part of our St. Joseph’s family. A reception will follow in our church hall, which will have many traditional dishes from Mexico.



And at **5:00 A.M. that morning,** we will have “Las Mañanitas” which is a beautiful ritual in which the Blessed Mother is serenaded. All are welcome and we hope you can attend these special celebrations and pay honor to our Mother.

PRO-LIFE MINISTRY MEETING- We very much want to strengthen our Pro-Life ministry in this parish and to discern together how we can be more effective in what we are doing with this very important work. The goal, of course, is to protect and enhance the lives of all persons from conception to natural death and everything in between, and this is done through prayer, action, education and awareness.

If you are interested in being part of a Pro-Life committee here at St. Joseph’s, please come to our next meeting on **Wednesday, December 13 at 7:00 P.M.** in the parish center. If you are unable to attend but still would like to be a member of this committee, please contact Fr. Salvatore at **845-255-5635, ext. 114** or at salccapuchin@hotmail.com

MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 26



Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/Ps 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6 (1)/1 Cor 15:20-26, 28/Mt 25:31-46
Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Lk 21:1-4
Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45/Dn 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61/Lk 21:5-11
Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Dn 3:62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67/Lk 21:12-19
Thursday: Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 4:18-22
Friday: Dn 7:2-14/Dn 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81/Lk 21:29-33
Saturday: Dn 7:15-27/Dn 3:82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87/Lk 21:34-36
Next Sunday: Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 (4)/1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37



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