

# St. Joseph Church

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## MISSION STATEMENT

“The parish family of St. Joseph, nourished by the Word of God and the sacraments of the Roman Catholic Church and animated by the life of St. Francis of Assisi, proclaims, radiates and lives the love of God in our community.”

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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

email: [16religiouseducation@gmail.com](mailto:16religiouseducation@gmail.com)

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

[www.stjosephnewpaltz.org/religious-education](http://www.stjosephnewpaltz.org/religious-education)

### Monday

RCIA adapted for  
Children/Teens

6:45-8:00 PM

Church Hall

### Tuesday

Grades 1-6

6:00 to 7:30 PM

Parish Center

### Sunday

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: December 10-17, 2023

- 10 Sun Second Sunday of Advent  
Second Collection– Retired Religious Fund  
Scouts Pancake Breakfast– 8:30- Hall  
Religious Education– 9:30– Center  
Advent Vespers– 5:00– Church  
Student Mass– 6:00– Church– followed by a gathering in the Hall
- 11 Mon Senior Fitness Class– 9:15– Hall  
Advent Morning of Prayer– 9:45– Center  
Food Pantry- 11:00-12:00- Hall  
RCIA for Children/Teens– 6:45– Hall  
RCIA for Adults– 7:00– Center
- 12 Tues “Las Mañanitas” (for Our Lady of Guadalupe)-  
5:00AM– Church  
Food Pantry- 11:00-12:00- Hall  
Religious Education– 6:00– Center  
Mass for Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass– 7:00–  
Church- followed by a reception in the Hall.
- 13 Wed Food Pantry- 11:00- 12:00- Hall  
Charismatic Prayer Group– 7:00– Church  
Pro-Life Ministry Meeting– 7:00– Center
- 14 Thurs Senior Fitness Class– 9:15– Hall  
Al-Anon Meeting-7:00-Center
- 15 Fri Food Pantry- 11:00-12:00- Hall
- 16 Sat Second Collection– Capital Improvement
- 17 Sun Second Collection– Capital Improvement  
Religious Education– 9:30– Center  
Bambinelli Sunday– at the 9:30 Mass– Church  
Hearing Impaired Mass– 2:00– Church– followed  
by a gathering in the Hall  
Advent Vespers– 5:00– Church

## FUNERALS AT ST. JOSEPH'S:

**CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP-** Our Charismatic Prayer Group meets on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at **7:00 P.M.** Please come and join us at one of our meetings, and the next ones will be on **December 13 and 27.** Come and be open to the Spirit! 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 with many traditional dishes from Mexico.



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.



**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 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](mailto: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!

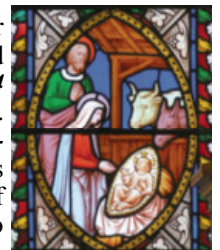
**AN ADVENT MORNING OF PRAYER-** All the members of the parish are invited to join us for an Advent Morning of Prayer on the following Mondays: **December 11 and 18.** It will be held from **9:45-11:00 A.M.** in the conference room in the parish center. We will pray with Advent Scripture passages using 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: [dippoe@newpaltz.edu](mailto:dippoe@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 **December 10 and 17.** A Benedictine psalm arrangement will be used and prayer booklets will be provided. All are welcome.



**CHRISTMAS MASSES-** The Masses for the Solemnity of Christmas will be celebrated at the following times: **Sunday, December 24 - 5:00 P.M.** (Children's Choir) and **8:00 P.M.** (Folk Group); **Sunday, December 25- Midnight; 9:30 and 11:30 A.M.** Please join us for our joyous celebration of the birth of Christ and invite someone you know who would appreciate our inspiring liturgies.



**RECONCILIATION MONDAY-** On **Monday, December 18**, every parish in the Archdiocese of New York will offer an opportunity to celebrate the sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession). Here at St. Joseph's, we will be offering the sacrament from **3:00-8:00 P.M.**, and if you are planning to go to another parish for this, please contact them to see what times they will be observing. By participating in this sacrament, a person can experience the healing love of God in Jesus Christ and is reconciled to God and neighbor. Please consider taking advantage of this opportunity for forgiveness and for peace of mind and soul.

## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



**SHARING OUR BLESSINGS WITH OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN NEED-** This Christmas season, instead of buying gifts for someone in your life who already has everything, please consider donating that money you would have spent on that gift to one of our outreach programs to our brothers and sisters in need in our community- our food pantry and our Solanus Casey Fund, which helps people who are in an emergency situation with rent, utilities, etc.

Whatever you can contribute to these important programs, it will greatly help so many people who are struggling and just need some help to get back on their feet.

Donations can be in cash or check, and in either case just please note which program you would like your donation to go toward. Many thanks!

**THANK YOU!**- Many thanks to all of you who contributed in any way to making this year's Christmas Presence holiday giving program happen once again. Such a beautiful expression of our concern for our brothers and sisters in our community who do not have so many of the things that we are blessed with, especially the children and those in nursing homes and domestic violence shelters that will now have some of the joy of the Christmas season thanks to you all. And a special thank you to Linda Landman and her crew of Christmas Presence volunteers- the process takes a good amount of work and, as usual, they did a wonderful job.



**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](mailto:salccapuchin@hotmail.com)

**BAMBINELLI SUNDAY-** For the past several decades, each year on Gaudete Sunday (the Third Sunday of Advent) children and adults bring their Baby Jesus figures from the crib at their homes to St. Peter's Square where the Pope blesses both the people and their figures during the Angelus.



This year we will once again celebrate **Bambinelli Sunday** here at St. Joseph's at the **9:30 A.M. Mass on Sunday, December 17.** Children of all ages are encouraged to bring their representation of Baby Jesus to be blessed and there will be uncolored images on the tables in church for them to take home and color and then bring on December 17.

The Catholic Grandparents Association hopes that the Spirit of Christmas will stay with the children as they see their picture displayed in their home.

### ST. JOSEPH'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



#### HAPPY SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT! (2 purple candles)

Advent is multifaceted and each year the waiting has different nuances for each of us.

Here are listed some of the ways we can celebrate with our families:

- \* **Children's Choir** for the Children's Christmas Eve Mass at 5:00 pm on Saturday, December 24, 2023 Practice has begun and continues on Tuesday, December 12 and 19 from 6:30 – 7:15 pm.
- \* This week: Everyone is invited to the Feast of **OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE-** Tuesday, December 12 at 7:00 P.M. with a celebration following.
- \* Next Sunday: **Bambinelli Sunday** - December 17 at 9:30 am Mass. Children bring a replica of the child Jesus to be blessed.

Peace,

Sr. Philomena, O.S.B.

845-255-5635 ext. 105 or [16religiouseducation@gmail.com](mailto:16religiouseducation@gmail.com)



**ADVENT LABYRINTH:** Thinking about the journeys that took place before and following the birth of Jesus, and what those journeys might have been like, we offer you a chance to prayerfully take a journey to follow the star. We invite you to the church hall **Thursday**

**December 21<sup>st</sup> through Christmas Day December 25<sup>th</sup>** to prayerfully experience an Advent Labyrinth. Allow God to speak to you as we prayerfully celebrate the last few days of advent and come into the great feast of Christmas. The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level 3 children have prepared stops along the labyrinth, stops to quiet your mind, and notice what God and the Holy Spirit may reveal. You can walk the labyrinth or just sit and enjoy the beauty of this prayerful atmosphere. The Prophet Isaiah listened to God with his whole heart, and proclaimed to the people clues about the coming of the great light, the light of Jesus. As we recall the words of the prophet, "The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light", we hope you take some time to experience this great light and come to the Advent Labyrinth.

**WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA-** One of our parishioners, Kathy Mironchik, is one of the local coordinators of "Wreaths Across America" which is an event that involves the placing of a wreath on the grave of every veteran who is buried in a particular locality. The event here will be at New Paltz Rural Cemetery and this year it will be on **Saturday, December 16.**



It's a beautiful way to remember the sacrifices these brave men and women made for our country. For more information on the New Paltz event that day or to make a donation, please go to: [www.wreathsasscrossamerica.org/](http://www.wreathsasscrossamerica.org/) and then scroll down the page to "Locations and Groups"

## DECEMBER 10-17, 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](mailto:stjoenp@stjosephnewpaltz.org) with the parishioner name, rank, and branch of service if you would like them added to the list.

Chief Petty Officer Matthew Rzepnicki, US Navy  
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Capt. Nicholas Zapotoski, US Army Reserve  
Capt. Jeremy Brinkmann, US Army  
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 December 9, 2023  
5:00 + Edward DelPezzo

Sunday December 10, 2023  
8:00 St. Joseph Parish Family  
9:30 + Joseph Nadeski & Quinto Pertelesi  
11:30 + Michael Madaugh

Monday 9:00 + Kathleen Q. Fleck  
Tuesday 9:00 + Br. Fidelis Hertel, O.F.M., Cap.  
Wednesday 9:00 + Marion Fleck  
Thursday 9:00 + Br. Walter Puhall, O.F.M., Cap.  
Friday 9:00 + Richard Wilson

Saturday December 16, 2023  
9:00 + Anthony Moriello  
5:00 St. Joseph Parish Family

Sunday December 17, 2023  
8:00 + Gordon Christie  
9:30 + Hernandez Family  
11:30 + John Frederick

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VIGIL LIGHT  
Carolyn and Henry DuBois

*"A voice cries out: in the desert prepare the way of the Lord!  
Make straight in the wasteland a highway for our God!.....  
Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people  
shall see it together; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken."  
Isaiah 40: 3,5*

**FRANCISCAN CENTENARIES-** This year and through 2026, Franciscans from all the various orders and groups throughout the Franciscan world are celebrating the 800th centenary of important events in the life and mission of St. Francis of Assisi. This will actually consist of five Centenaries that will take place over four years:

- ◇ the Later Rule/Christmas at Greccio (1223-2023)
- ◇ the gift of the Stigmata (1224-2024)
- ◇ the Canticle of the Creatures (1225-2025)
- ◇ and the passing into eternal life of St. Francis (1226-2026)

The Miracle of the Christmas at Greccio was the event at which the Christ Child came to life in the manger scene that St. Francis had created. This was instrumental not only in the spread of the use of the manger scenes as part of the celebration of Christmas, but also in the devotion to the humanity of Christ, who came among us in humility to save us and to show us the way to a life dedicated to the purposes of God in the world.

The world needs the spirit of St. Francis more than ever and we are blessed to have so many Franciscans here at St. Joseph's, both Secular and Capuchin!



### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SOLIDARITY CROSS

**PROGRAM-** The Cardinal Spellman Knights of Columbus Council 5800 is embarking on a project to support the persecuted Christians in the Middle East, including the Holy Land, Syria, and Iraq. Following all the Masses the weekend of **December 16/17**, the Knights will be selling five-inch olive-wood crosses made by Christian craftsmen from the Holy Land. The crosses can make a cherished gift for the Christmas season.

The Cross is a symbol of suffering, a symbol of unity, and a symbol of hope, and all proceeds from the crosses will go directly to provide relief for refugees fleeing persecution. The Knights are asking for a donation of \$12.00 for each cross. If you miss this opportunity to purchase one, please contact Christopher Nadeski, Financial Secretary for KofC Council 5800 at **845-255-3688** or email at [cnadeski@gmail.com](mailto:cnadeski@gmail.com).

### MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 10, 2023



**Sunday:** Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 (8)/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8  
**Monday:** Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Lk 5:17-26  
**Tuesday:** Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Jdt :18bcde, 19/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47  
**Wednesday:** Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10/Mt 11:28-30  
**Thursday:** Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab/Mt 11:11-15  
**Friday:** Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Mt 11:16-19  
**Saturday:** Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19/Mt 17:9a, 10-13  
**Next Sunday:** Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54 (Is 61:10b)/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28



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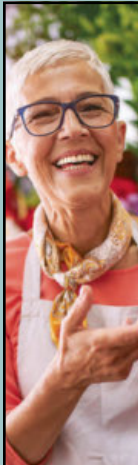
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