

# St. Joseph Church

A Ministry of the Capuchin Franciscan Friars, Province of St. Mary (New York/New England)



## 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)

	<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: January 21-28, 2024**

- 21 Sun Religious Education– 9:30– Center  
Baptism– Charlie and Eli Schepis– 2:00– Church
- 22 Mon Senior Fitness Class– 9:15– Hall  
Food Pantry– 11:00-12:00– Hall  
RCIA for Children– 6:45– Hall  
RCIA for Adults– 7:00– Center
- 23 Tues Food Pantry- 11:00-12:00- Hall  
Religious Education– 6:00– Center
- 24 Wed Food Pantry- 11:00- 12:00- Hall
- 25 Thurs Senior Fitness Class– 9:15– Hall  
Al-Anon Meeting-7:00-Center
- 26 Fri Food Pantry- 11:00-12:00- Hall
- 27 Sat Second Collection - Fuel
- 28 Sun Second Collection - Fuel  
Religious Education– 9:30– Center

Future Events:

**FUNERALS AT ST. JOSEPH’S:** Greg Castellana– died January 6; funeral January 13.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO FR. RAPHAEL!**

Our Capuchin brother Fr. Raphael Iannone celebrated his 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of ordination to the priesthood on Thursday, January 11 and we offer him our congratulations for that great accomplishment! If only there were more priests like him.



As you know, Fr. Raphael was pastor here at St. Joseph’s in the 1980’s and he is still so much loved for many things: his wonderful homilies, his loving attention to every parishioner, his sense of humor, his not being afraid to get his hands dirty and do the work needed to be done around the parish, and so much more. He did return to us in the late 2000’s, and he was here when Fr. Salvatore took over as pastor in 2014. Which was a great thing for Fr. Salvatore since Fr. Raphael was his formator in the initial year of Capuchin formation called postulancy, and he had a profound influence on him as a Capuchin and as a minister.

Fr. Raphael is currently at the infirmary at the St. Lawrence Retreat Center in Beacon, NY, and he is doing well. We can’t thank him enough for all his good work and for his loving example, but we can of course pay it forward in whatever way we can. That would make him very happy indeed...



**HOW WE ARE DOING FINANCIALLY AS A PARISH-** In this time of financial difficulties for so many people, we want to be transparent about what we are receiving as income, and how we are spending the money you all so graciously offer to us.



**For December 2023 (figures are rounded up)**  
**Ordinary income- \$81,200**  
**Ordinary expenses- \$50,500**

*Please note: these figures do not include the charitable contributions we make to individuals from our Solanus Casey Fund and the food pantry expenses (they are paid out of a dedicated fund).*

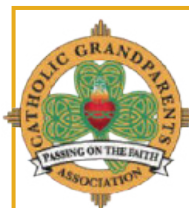
Ordinary income over ordinary expenses! And by a good measure, as you can easily see. But of course, this was due primarily to the Christmas collection (which was greater than it has been for several years) and some very nice end-of-year donations. I can’t thank you all enough for your incredible generosity, and this surplus will definitely come in handy for those months in which the expenses are greater than the income, and as you all know from experience, they are sure to come.

And we continue to monitor all of our expenses and limit them wherever we can, without of course hurting our essential ministries or our ability to help our brothers and sisters in our parish family and in the greater community.

To help us to ensure that we stay financially healthy, we humbly ask you to prayerfully discern what you can offer to the parish in your weekly contributions and your general donations. Whatever you can offer to your parish family, know that is very much appreciated and is essential in allowing this wonderful parish to continue to function as it should.

If you have any questions about the figures above, or about anything else related to our current financial situation, please contact Fr. Salvatore and he would be happy to answer them the best that he could.

God bless you all always!



**CATHOLIC GRANDPARENTS ASSOCIATION MEETING-** The next Catholic Grandparents Association meeting will be on **Tuesday, January 23 at 9:45 A.M.** in the church hall. All grandparents are invited to join us for refreshments and meaningful faith-based discussion.

**SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD-** In 2021, Pope Francis designated the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (which is celebrated on **January 21** this year) as the “Sunday of the Word of God.”



He did so to help all the faithful to better appreciate the great treasure we have in the Scriptures- the revelation of the Word of God to us in order to help us grow closer to Him and to discern His presence in our lives and in our communities.

And as you know, it’s always a good thing to devote some time each day to reading the Scriptures and listening to what God is trying to say to us through them.

## THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

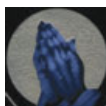
### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BLOOD DRIVE-

Council 5800 of the Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring a blood drive on **Wednesday, January 31 from 1:00-7:00 P.M** in the church hall (conducted by Hudson Valley Blood Services). The donation of blood only takes ten minutes and it can and will save a life.



Appointments are strongly encouraged to ensure social distancing; walk-ins will be taken if room capacity allows. To sign up, call **1-800-933-2566**. Please bring ID with photo or signature. Eat well and drink fluids before you donate.

Thank you!



### WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY-

The week of January 18-25 is designated as the "Week of Prayer for Christian Unity" and is a time when Christians of all denominations are praying in a special way for the unity that Christ wants for His Church. There are booklets on the tables in our church with daily prayers and Scripture readings for each day of that week. Please consider including them in your daily prayer time.

*"I pray not only for them, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, so that they may all be one, as you, Father, are in me and I in you, that they also may be in us, that the world may believe that you sent me." – John 17:20-21*

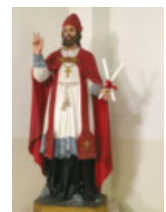
### VOLUNTEERING FOR SMALL MAINTENANCE PROJECTS FOR SENIORS-

The Ulster County Office for Aging has a small maintenance/fix-it program with dedicated volunteers who can help with small jobs around the house for the seniors in our community. They are always looking for volunteers, and if you have some skills in this area and would like to help out, please call them at **845-340-3456** and ask about volunteering.

### TAX STATEMENTS FOR 2023 PARISH GIVING -

If you would like a tax statement for your 2023 contributions that were made through the church envelope system, please contact the parish office. The office can be reached at **845-255-5635, ext. 101** or at [stjoenp@stjosephnewpaltz.org](mailto:stjoenp@stjosephnewpaltz.org), and in your message please leave your name and a mailing and/or email address. Statements will be available in February.

For those who give online through WeShare, you can access your tax statement from the site you use to make your donations. If you have any trouble with that, please contact our bookkeeper Maryann Becker at the parish office and she'll help you with that: **845-255-5635, ext. 101** or [stjoenp@stjosephnewpaltz.org](mailto:stjoenp@stjosephnewpaltz.org) (Maryann is in the office on Monday's and Friday's.) And many thanks as always to you all for your great generosity to our parish.



**ST. BLAISE BLESSING OF THROATS-** The memorial of St. Blaise is celebrated on **February 3**, so in the spirit of his being God's healing presence to those who are sick, we will have the **blissing of the throats at the end of the 9:00 A.M. Mass that day, as well as at all the Masses that weekend of February 3/4.**

### ST. JOSEPH'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



Thank you to those who participated in the Knights of Columbus "Keeping Christ in Christmas" poster contest (grades - 6). A lot of good ideas were generated.

We celebrate through prayer the Octave of Christian Unity this weekend. The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity began in 1908 and focused on prayer for church unity.

Confirmation Preparation Class - Sunday, January 21. Students attend from 9am-2pm. Families join at 1pm for the Teaching Mass. All family members are welcome.

***Our next parish family event is Shrove Tuesday, February 13, 2024 - Mardi Gras - Sponsored by the 6<sup>th</sup> graders from 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm. All are welcome. We ask that you let us know how many are coming with you by February 10, 2024 so that we have everything ready! Free will donations will be accepted.***

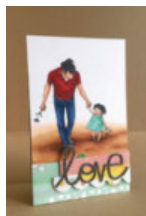
Peace,

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### FUNDRAISER FOR OUR FOOD PANTRY-

Hannaford Supermarkets has a program in which a local nonprofit organization receives \$1 from the purchase of the specially marked "**Fight Hunger Program**" reusable bags sold at the store. For the entire month of **February**, our food pantry here at St. Joseph's will be the recipients of these donations and we offer our great thanks to Hannaford for that. The participating store is located at **2066 Rte. 32 in Modena**. And of course, any donations given to our food pantry (in money or in food itself) is always very much appreciated because it helps us take care of our brothers and sisters in need.



### COME TO OUR FATHER AND DAUGHTER

**DANCE!-** Our Knights of Columbus Council #5800 and St. Joseph Church will be hosting a Father and Daughter Dance in our church hall on **Friday, February 9 from 6:00-9:30 P.M.** This wonderful event is for all ages and there is no cost to attend. Casual/semi-formal attire is requested.

Please RSVP by January 31 at [knightscouncil5800@gmail.com](mailto:knightscouncil5800@gmail.com) or **845-597-8516**.

**LET US KNOW YOUR CHANGES-** If you have recently moved or changed your phone number, please let the parish office know. We need to keep the information in our parish census as up-to-date as possible so that we can assure you receive the information we send out to you. Thank you!



## JANUARY 21-28, 2024

**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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Midshipman Patrick Melanson, US Navy  
Captain Zachary Thor, US Army  
Nicholas Mosconi, US Navy  
Donald Fecher, US Air Force Reserve

### MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	January 20, 2024	5:00 + Cathy Grady
Sunday	January 21, 2024	8:00 + Deceased Members of Sabel Family 9:30 St. Joseph Parish Family 11:30 + William Middaugh
Monday	9:00	To end abortion
Tuesday	9:00	+ Steve Schmidt
Wednesday	9:00	+ Florie Cuccaro
Thursday	9:00	+
Friday	9:00	+ Lawrence Towne
Saturday	January 27, 2024	9:00 + Quintine Fuoco 5:00 +
Sunday	January 28, 2024	8:00 + 9:30 + Quinto Pertelesi 11:30 St. Joseph Parish Family

### ALTAR BREAD AND WINE

January - John Tumminia

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### VIGIL LIGHT

Second 2 Weeks of January - Florie Cuccaro

*"After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God: 'This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel.'"*

*Mark 1: 14-15*

**PARISH COUNSELING NETWORK-** The program "Parish Counseling Network" offers the people in our parishes access to short-term professional counseling at a nominal cost. This program connects people to more than 120 licensed mental health professionals to help them with issues and crises, including marital problems, parenting, eldercare, job loss and bereavement.

Those who would like to take advantage of this program must get in touch with the staff at their parish and the staff will let the Parish Counseling Network know that the parishioner will be getting in touch with them. The parishioner then gets in touch with the Network at **866- 962- 7487** to begin the process of finding a counselor. Parishioners are eligible for a maximum of six counseling sessions. The fee for each session is a \$10 co-pay. We can't speak for other parishes, but if that parishioner is a member of St. Joseph's and they would have a hard time paying those co-pays, the parish could help them with that. For more information, please go to: <http://www.ccsos.org/programs-services/parish-counseling-network/>

**FREE TAX PREP FROM AARP-** AARP Foundation Tax-Aide volunteers will begin tax return preparation at St. Joseph on *Wednesday, February 7. People who came to St. Joseph in the past 3 years will be contacted via email or phone.*

If necessary you can request an appointment via email to [UlsterTaxAide@gmail.com](mailto:UlsterTaxAide@gmail.com) and include your name, phone number, and preferred site. Tax preparation is available at other Ulster County sites which can be found using the AARP Tax-Aide locator: [https://www.aarp.org/money/taxes/aarp\\_taxaide/locations.html](https://www.aarp.org/money/taxes/aarp_taxaide/locations.html)

### HELPING OUT AT THE SISTERS OF LIFE PROPERTY

**IN CATSKILL-** As you know, the Sisters of Life are a religious order dedicated to the protection of human life. One of their houses is in Catskill, and they need help in cleaning and maintaining that property. They will have a Volunteer Day for this on *Saturday, February 10 beginning at 10:00 A.M. and ending at 4:00 P.M.* You are welcome to come for the whole day, or just part of it.

The tasks would include indoor projects like cooking, cleaning and organizing; and outdoor projects. Skilled laborers, such as electricians, plumbers and carpenters are especially needed, but all the work that the volunteers can provide will be very much appreciated. The Sisters will provide lunch, and volunteers are more than welcome to attend the Mass there at 12:00 P.M and the recitation of the rosary, Holy Hour and Vespers beginning at 4:30 P.M. If you would like to be part of this good work, please contact the Sisters at: [stanthonys@sistersoflife.org](mailto:stanthonys@sistersoflife.org)

### HOLY HOUR WITH THE SISTERS OF LIFE-

The Sisters of Life will have a Holy Hour on *Saturday, January 27 at 7:30 P.M.* their convent at 24 Harrison St. in Catskill. Confessions will be available during the service, and there will be light refreshments afterwards. Come and pray in loving adoration of our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

### MASS READINGS WEEK OF JANUARY 21, 2024

The text of the readings can be found on the Bishop's website: [www.usccb.org/bible/readings](http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings).





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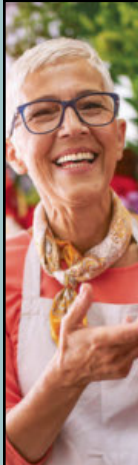
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