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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

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**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

## ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

NEW PALTZ, NY

### EVENTS OF THE WEEK: February 25-March 3, 2024



- 25 Sun Second Collection– Fuel  
Religious Education– 9:30– Center  
Confirmation Prep– 9:30– Hall
- 26 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
- 27 Tues AARP Tax Prep– 9:00– Hall  
Catholic Grandparents Association Meeting– 9:45  
– Center  
Food Pantry- 11:00-12:00- Hall  
Religious Education– 6:00– Center  
Showing of “The Chosen”- 7:00- Hall
- 28 Wed AARP Tax Prep– 9:00– Hall  
Food Pantry- 11:00- 12:00- Hall  
Faith Reflection with Deacon Phil– 7:00- Center  
Charismatic Prayer Meeting– 7:00– Church
- 29 Thurs Senior Fitness Class– 9:15– Hall  
Al-Anon Meeting-7:00-Center
- 1 Fri Food Pantry- 11:00-12:00- Hall  
Stations of the Cross– 7:00– Church
- 2 Sat Secular Franciscan Meeting– 10:00– Center  
Baptism– Violet Barringer– 11:00– Church  
Second Collection– Easter Flowers
- 3 Sun Second Collection– Easter Flowers  
Religious Education– 9:30– Center  
Children’s Mass-9:30– Church  
Sunday Social- after all the Masses– Hall  
Student Mass– 6:00– Church– followed by a  
gathering in the Hall

### FUNERALS AT ST. JOSEPH’S:

**SUNDAY SOCIAL-** Our monthly Sunday Social is a very popular and very important part 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 dessert or by cleaning up at the end of the gathering would be greatly appreciated.

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



**CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP-** Our Charismatic Prayer Group meets on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at **7:00 P.M.** *The next meeting will be on February 28.* Come and be open to the Spirit! All are welcome.



**CHILDREN’S MASS-** On the first Sunday of every month the 9:30 Mass will be a Children’s Mass. This is not 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 7<sup>th</sup> 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 **March 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.

**CATHOLIC GRANDPARENTS ASSOCIATION MEETING-** The next Catholic Grandparents Association meeting will be on **Tuesday, February 27 at 9:45 A.M.** in the conference room of the parish center. All grandparents are invited to join us for refreshments and meaningful faith-based discussion.



### FAITH

**FAITH SHARING GROUP WITH DEACON PHIL-** Deacon Phil Siani will be holding a faith-sharing group every **Wednesday during the season of Lent.** It will be at **7:00 P.M.** in the parish center. Using the Scripture readings for the following Sunday, he will offer some commentary on the Scriptures, and then facilitate a conversation in which the participants can share their reflections. No need to register, and you can join us for as many sessions as you like.

For more information, please contact Deacon Phil at [coldmail75321@gmail.com](mailto:coldmail75321@gmail.com).



### SOME CHANGES FOR THE MASSES DURING THE LENT AND EASTER SEASONS-

Here at St. Joseph’s, we have a Liturgy Committee, and they are tasked with helping to make our liturgies even more engaging and better able to help our people to pray and celebrate the Eucharist together. At our last meeting, we decided to have an instrumental prelude for a few minutes before each of the weekend Masses for the Lent and Easter seasons in order to help us all to enter into a prayerful space before Mass begins. (The Children’s Mass will still have “Open My Eyes, Lord” as the prelude.)

And at all the weekend Masses, we will sing the Lord’s Prayer (the “Our Father”), using the traditional melody we all know.

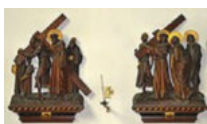
Both of these additions will be evaluated after Pentecost, and we will then decide if we will continue to use them. And please let us know what you think after you’ve experienced them for a while!

## THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

**LENTEN ZOOM REFLECTIONS-** This year Sr. Philomena is facilitating a Lenten Reflection Series from 1:00-2:00 P.M. on the following **Wednesdays: Feb 28, March 6, 13 and 20.** If you wish to participate, please send your email address to Sister at: [peacetwou2@gmail.com](mailto:peacetwou2@gmail.com) and you will receive a weekly invitation.



Each one of the sessions stands on its own, so if you only can come to one or two you will be welcome whenever you can come! Please feel free to join. The joy of Zoom is we can be present with those near and far away.



**STATIONS OF THE CROSS-** Every **Friday** during Lent at **7:00 P.M.** in the church, we will celebrate the Stations of the Cross. This beautiful devotion enables those who pray in this way to re-live the 14 stations (events) in Jesus' life as He went through His Passion for the salvation of the world. They help us to contemplate, and thus enter into, the Pascal Mystery and can greatly enrich our Lenten spiritual practice. The Stations will be followed each Friday by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, except on Good Friday when it will be followed by a Taizé prayer service on the "Last Words of Christ".

**JOIN OUR SEDER MEAL HERE AT ST. JOSEPH'S-** The Seder meal is celebrated each year in Jewish homes at Passover time and Jesus instituted the Eucharist when He celebrated this Passover meal with His disciples. On Wednesday, March 20 at 6:00 P.M. in our church hall, we will gather to celebrate a Christian Seder Meal and experience the origin of the Mass.



We will use many of the prayers in a traditional Seder meal, sing songs and use ceremonial foods including haroshes, bitter herbs, matzoh and eggs. Supper will be a meal of baked chicken, rice, a green salad, and a quinoa salad. To cover the cost of the meal, we are asking for a contribution of \$7 per person (\$20 per entire family).

**RSVP by Monday, March 11.** You can do so by contacting Kathy Seyfert at **914-388-7674** or at [kesevfert@gmail.com](mailto:kesevfert@gmail.com). Or you can fill out one of the forms on the tables in the church and drop it off or send it in to the parish office. All are welcome!

**HEALING MASS-** On **Saturday, March 9 at 11:00 A.M.**, Fr. Salvatore will offer a Healing Mass, and at the end of the Mass the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be offered to all in need of healing in body, mind or spirit. All are welcome. **Please note that the Lent booklet had the time listed incorrectly as 7:00 P.M.**

**COME AND WATCH "THE CHOSEN" WITH US-** On **every Tuesday of the season of Lent**, we will be showing episodes from Season 3 of the acclaimed series on the life of Jesus called "The Chosen". Each showing will be at **7:00 P.M.** in our church hall and will be followed by a conversation in which we will share what we learned from that episode and how it helped our life of faith.



### ST. JOSEPH'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



Lent is upon us. Let us take this Lent as a gift and an opportunity to **Pray- Fast - Give.**

This is a good acronym - 4 keys of Lent - to help shape our individual response to this very special time!

**L - Let Go**  
**E - Enter In**  
**N- Never Give Up**  
**T - Time out**

**St. John Bosco Children's Fund -** We would like to continue to fund Donjeska Joseph, of Haiti, for her 4th grade education (\$300). If you would like to donate, please use one of the take-out boxes in the vestibule of the church and return your donation to me by **March 19, 2024.**

**First Communion: Special Mandatory Meeting for Parents of First Communicants** on **February 29 at 6:00 pm** in the Center.

**Confirmation 2024 -** The Confirmandi are finishing up their requirements for Confirmation: **April 13, 2024**  
Retreats are **March 9** and **March 16** at Marist Camp on 9W. Their Commitment Mass is part of **the 9:30 am Mass on March 17, 2024** followed by St. Joseph's table.

**7th Grade:** All seventh graders and parents are invited to an informational meeting on **February 29** with Tom Brinkman for 7th graders and parents who would like to consider a small pilot program for 8th grade 2024-2025.

**Middle School Students:** We are exploring the possibility for our Middle School Students (grades 6-8) to attend an Archdiocesan Youth Day on **Sunday April 28, 12:30pm-5:00pm** at St. Joseph's Seminary in Yonkers. We would hire a bus...and perhaps join with other parishes. If you know of anyone who would wish to attend, have them please contact Sister at 853-255-5635. Ext 105. Thank you.

**Save the Date - March 20, 6-8 pm,** for our Seder Meal. It is a wonderful evening!

Peace,

Sr. Philomena, O.S.B.

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



**STUDENT MASS-** The next Student Mass will be on **Sunday, March 3 at 6:00 P.M.** here in our church. Everyone is welcome to join us, whether you are in school or not.

**LECTIO DIVINA WORKSHOP-** On **Wednesday, March 6** Fr. Salvatore will be offering a workshop on Lectio Divina, which is the meditative reading of Scripture done in order to listen to what God is saying to us and to help cultivate the gift of contemplation. The workshop will be in the church and will begin at **7:00 P.M.** Fr. Salvatore will speak on the spirituality and the technique of this way to pray and then we will have the opportunity to pray in that way.



The **Jesus Prayer** workshop will be on **Thursday, March 14.**

## FEBRUARY 25-MARCH 3, 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	February 24, 2024	5:00 "L" Arlene Mazzetti
Sunday	February 25, 2024	8:00 + Raymond Metzger 9:30 + Gustavo Perez 11:30 St. Joseph Parish Family
Monday	9:00	+ Fr. John Mellitt, O.F.M., Cap.
Tuesday	9:00	+ Marcella Fall
Wednesday	9:00	+ Emma Moriello Tantilla
Thursday	9:00	"L" Special Intention for John Delvalle
Friday	9:00	+ Tony Cuccaro
Saturday	March 2, 2024	9:00 + Deceased Members of the Secular Franciscan Fraternity 5:00 St Joseph Parish Family
Sunday	March 3, 2024	8:00 + Charlotte & Joseph Colombo 9:30 + Ed Gallagher 11:30

**ALTAR BREAD AND WINE**  
**February - Michael Meszaros**

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**VIGIL LIGHT**

**Second 2 Weeks of February - Michael Meszaros**

*"Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them;  
 from the cloud came a voice,  
 'This is my beloved Son. Listen to Him.' "*

*Mark 9: 7*

**PRESENTATION ON THE SAINTS AND SOCIAL JUSTICE-** On *Wednesday, March 13 at 7:00 P.M.* in the church hall, Lauren Ingrassia and Fr. Salvatore will offer a presentation on Catholic Social Teaching. They will use as the basis of their presentation the lives of Saints, both from the early Church and from the modern era, who exemplified these principles and who we can learn from to change the world around us for the better!



**ST. JOSEPH'S TABLE-** The Church celebrates the Solemnity of St. Joseph on *Tuesday, March 19*, and we will have a special Mass that morning at 9:00 A.M. And on *Sunday, March 17, immediately after the 9:30 Mass*, we will have a "St. Joseph's Table", which is an "altar" in the church hall with an image of St. Joseph, flowers, and many kinds of food (including the St. Joseph pastries), which will be blessed by Fr. Salvatore and then shared by everyone present.

We will also begin a novena to St. Joseph at all the Masses beginning on *March 11*, asking this great saint for his intercession with the Lord.

**ST. JOSEPH ICON-** Our local Council of the Knights of Columbus will be having a prayer service in the church on both *Monday, March 18 and Tuesday, March 19*. On each night, there will be veneration of a special icon of St. Joseph and one of the Knights will offer a reflection on the significance St. Joseph has in their lives as men and fathers. All are welcome.

### CAPUCHIN FAMILY MINISTRIES SUMMER PROGRAMS-

Yes, it's cold outside, but it's never too early to start thinking about the summer! Capuchin Family Ministries (CFM) is once again offering several wonderful summer programs for our young people. These programs provide opportunities for these young people to strengthen their faith by reaching out to those in need and building a sense of community with one another.



The programs are: Summer Outreach Week- June 22-27; Capuchin Appalachian Mission- July 6-14; and CLASP (Catholic Literature and Arts Summer Program)- July 27- August 2. For more information on these programs, please go to <https://www.capuchin.org/cyfm/summer-programs/>

**CARDINAL'S APPEAL-** Just a reminder that the 2024 Cardinal's Appeal has begun. The money raised will go to the many good things that the Archdiocese of New York makes possible, including Catholic Charities, helping needy parishes and the many programs targeted for specific groups in our communities. To make a donation, please use the pledge card you received, or you can donate online on their website. [www.cardinalsappeal.org/](http://www.cardinalsappeal.org/) Many thanks as always for your generosity.

### MASS READINGS WEEK OF FEBRUARY 25, 2024



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



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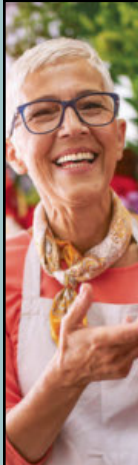
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