

The Roman Catholic Community of Saint Joseph

16 East Somerset Street, Raritan, NJ 08869

We, the Catholic Community of St. Joseph, are committed to follow Jesus Christ. Through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we strive to be good stewards in our lives. We pray for peace, forgiveness, and for one another as Christ loves us!

Baptisms

Baptisms are usually held on Saturday mornings any-time throughout the year (**with the exception of the Lenten Season**). Parents must be registered parishioners and complete a Baptismal Preparation class. It is required that godparents are no less than 16 years of age and have completed the three Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Holy Communion and Confirmation. If the godparents are a married couple, they need to have been married by the Catholic Church. Please contact the Parish Office to arrange for the class and the date of Baptism.

Sponsor Certificates

Sponsors (Godparents) for Baptism and Confirmation are required to verify their eligibility. They must be fully initiated Catholic who actively practice their faith and are in good standing with the Church. For more information please contact the Parish Office.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

If you are considering becoming Catholic, or desire to complete your sacraments, please contact the Parish Office for more information about RCIA.

Pastoral Care of the Sick

Please call the rectory and let us know when a member of your family is in the hospital so a priest can arrange to visit them. Make sure you contact the Pastoral Care Office in the hospital so the Chaplain can bring you communion daily. **In the event of an emergency please call 908 392-7962 anytime of the day or night.**

Marriages

Please call the office to meet with the Pastor as soon as you become engaged and before any preparations are made. Arrangements should be made one year in advance. Couples preparing for marriage must attend required Pre-Cana sessions within the Diocese along with F.O.C.C.U.S. and sessions with your Parish Priest or Deacon.



Under the Pastoral Care of the Priests and brothers of the Congregation of the Oratory of St. Philip Neri.

Rev. Kevin P. Kelly, C.O. Administrator
James Piccolo.....Parish Office Manager
Anthony Nardino.....Director of Music & Liturgy

Masses

Saturday.....4:00 pm English
Sunday.....8:00 am Spanish
.....10:00 am English
.....12:00 pm Spanish
Holy Days.....Vigil: 7:30 pm
.....on the Holy Day 8:00 am

Daily Masses

St. Joseph's: Monday & Friday.....8:00 am
St Ann: Monday & First Fridays.....7:00 pm
Tuesday, Thursday & Friday.....7:00 am
Saturday.....9:00 am
Holy Trinity: Tuesday & Friday.....7:00 pm
Shrine of the Blessed Sacrament
Monday-Friday.....12:15 pm

Confessions

Saturday.....3:00 –3:30 pm
or by appointment.

Parish Office

Hours.....Monday-Friday 9:00 am to 1:00 pm
Phone/Fax908 725-0163/908 725-2333
Email.....parishoffice@sjraritan.org
Fr. Kevin Email.....frkevin@sjraritan.org
Website.....www.sjraritan.com
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Our Church is open Monday through Friday
8:00 am to 12:45 pm for
prayer and quiet time in prayer with our Lord.

The Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time September 5, 2021

Sunday's Readings

First Reading: Isaiah 35:4-7a

Isaiah tells the people to be strong and unafraid. God will save his people, and the blind will see, the deaf will hear, and the lame will walk. Streams will come forth in the desert, the sandy ground will become springs of water.

Second Reading: James 2:1-5

James encourages the people to never show favoritism. He discusses an usher who escorted a rich man to the best seat, while ignoring a poor man. God chose poor people to be rich in faith, so we should never judge people by their riches.

Gospel: Mark 7:31-37

Some people brought a deaf man who could not speak to Jesus and begged him to lay his hand on the man. Jesus opened the man's ears and cured his speech impediment. He ordered the people not to tell anyone, but they were too amazed to keep this to themselves.

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Readings for the Week

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday

Col 1:24–2:3; Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday

Col 2:6-15; Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday

Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30;
Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

Thursday

Col 3:12-17; Lk 6:27-38

Friday

1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Lk 6:39-42

Saturday

1 Tm 1:15-17; Lk 6:43-49



As a way of commemorating the 20th anniversary of the September 11 attacks, there will be a Holy Hour for Peace at Holy Trinity on Sunday, September 12 at 3:30 pm. The hour will include readings, music, and silent Adoration, and conclude with Benediction. Everyone is welcome.



FOR THE WEEK OF
SEPTEMBER 5, 2021

Monday, September 6, 2021

Labor Day

9:00 am Holy Trinity

Parish Office Closed

Priest of the Day – Rev. Leonard Rusay

Tuesday, September 7, 2021

Priest of the Day – Rev. Richard Rusk

Wednesday, September 8, 2021

Priest of the Day – Rev. Thomas Ryan

Thursday, September 9, 2021

Priest of the Day – Rev. Charles Sabella

Friday, September 10, 2021

8:00 am + Maryann Skay

+ Judy Studna

Priest of the Day – Rev. Michael Saharic

Saturday, September 11, 2021

4:00 pm Vigil of The Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

+ Joseph Sanders

+ Patricia Rowan

Priest of the Day – Rev. Juan Salonga

Sunday, September 12, 2021

The Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am + Julieta Angulo

Spanish

10:00 am + Ann Marie Gill

+ Robert Kolibas

50th Wedding Anniversary of:

Thomas & Virginia McGrath

12:00 pm + William Elizando

Spanish

Priest of the Day – Rev. Leopoldo Salvania

Please pray for vocations to the Priesthood for our Diocese, and also for Religious Priests, Brothers and Sisters.

Candle Intentions for this Week

Sanctuary Candle

The Sanctuary Candle burning before the Blessed Sacrament this week is in memory of:

+ **Frank Krachun, Jr.**

Blessed Virgin Mary

The Candle burning before the Blessed Virgin Mary this week is in memory of:

+ **Deceased members of the Fattori & Sinibaldi Families**

St. Joseph

The Candle burning before St. Joseph this week is in memory of:

+ **Deceased members of the Krachun & Gall Families**

Paschal Candle-2021

In Memory of **John M. Bauer**

Our Weekly Offering

Weekend of August 28 & 29, 2021

Offertory.....	\$2,614.70
Mission Co-Op.....	\$2,350.00
Insurance & Assessment.....	\$117.00
Parish Utilities.....	\$129.00

Online Giving

Offertory.....	\$700.00
Insurance & Assessment.....	\$15.00

St Joseph's offers Online Giving thru ParishSoft; an easy option for donating to the Sunday Collection. It's simple! Just visit <https://sjraritan.com> and follow the easy registration instructions.



2021 Bishop's Annual Appeal

To date, the Development Office has received pledges totaling \$ 15,765.00 and payments totaling \$ 15,565.00 from 65 parishioners. This represents 63.1% of your \$25,000.00 goal.

Thank you for your efforts.

Stewardship

... Time, Talent & Treasure. ✝

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Did not God choose those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom that he promised to those who love him?" JAMES 2:5

What is more important – being rich in faith or rich in possessions? Society tells us that possessions are most important. God teaches a different lesson. When we are rich in faith, we keep God first and experience true joy and peace. When we put possessions first, we soon realize we can never have enough and happiness is fleeting. When we put faith over possessions we truly realize it is better to give than receive.

After an absence of 18 months due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the St. Joseph's Senior Citizens will once again meet on Tuesday, September 7, 12:00 pm in the Lower Church Hall.

There will be a Mass at 11:00 am preceding the meeting.

New members are welcome! For more information, please contact John Hudak at (908) 725-0051
Welcome Back!

His Word Today

by Rev. William J. Reilly

Most Holy Name Catholic Church, Garfield, NJ

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time September 5, 2021

"Say to those whose hearts are frightened, 'Be strong, fear not! Here is your God, he comes with vindication, with divine recompense, he comes to save you. Then will the eyes of the blind be opened, the ears of the deaf be cleared, then will the lame leap like a stag, then the tongue of the mute will sing. Streams will burst forth in the desert and rivers in the steppe, the burning sands will become pools, and the thirsty ground springs of water.'"

Did you ever try to paint a picture? You gather the right materials, brushes, colors and decide how to transform your idea and put it on a canvas. Isaiah, in his vision, provided an exquisite painting in words of what he dreamed would be a world with a messiah.

As we listen to the words about the blind, the deaf, the mute and the lame, we find Jesus taking another Isaiah passage and telling his townsfolk, 'Today this has been fulfilled in your hearing.' The prophet uses these miraculous images which we use as the reason for the messiah, He comes to save us.

In our time of difficulty and trial the picture and the words assure us, that the whole reason for Jesus' coming, was and is to save us. Faith in Jesus, and our earnest desire for salvation, will add to the beauty of our painting.

Brother Juniper



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OPEN HOUSE

Inspire Family Life Center
Sunday, September 12, 2021

"We help mothers LOVE life. We help families LIVE life!"

51 Mt. Bethel Road, Warren, NJ

Inspire Family Life Center, a brand new, pro-life pregnancy resource center, will be hosting an **Open House** on **Sunday, September 12, 2021** from **10 am - 1pm**. Come and see Inspire's beautiful facility and learn more about their life-changing Mission & Vision, how they will impact our local communities and how you can get involved. Please RSVP to info@inspirefamilylifecenter.com or send a text to (732) 595-2392. Visit www.InspireFamilyLifeCenter.com for more details.

Our Parish Prayer List.

Pray for the Sick

Bill Bizub
Edna Carter
Joseph Carter
Jane Chiesa
Joan Chopay
Elizabeth Anne Dwyer
Randy Fisher
Tony & Sandy Franchino
Arthur & Maryann Gosenski
Gary Johnson
Donna Kelly
Roseanne Kielar
Jerry Kovac
Frank Krevis

Antonia LaCorte
Ralph Lombardi
Steve & Geri Max
Jack McElhinney
Francis M. Mishak, Sr.
Pinzy & Rachel Petrone
Betty Phelan
Natasha Polinko
Michael Roehrich
Jack & Mary Sullivan
Michael Velcheck
Richard Wisniewski
Fr. John Morley

Visit our new website at
www.sjraritan.com
or
www.sjraritan.org



Saint Ann Catholic Regional
Marriage Ministry Celebrates:

Date Nights for a Joy Filled Marriage!

Saturday September 25, 2021

7:00 – 9:00 pm

**Invitation to adult couples who
are dating, engaged, newlywed or
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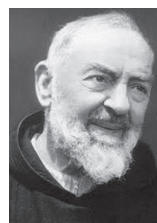
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Saint Ann Church, Meeting Room

45 Anderson Street, Raritan, NJ. 08869

INFO and RSVP – Thomas and Gina Santangelo
631-816-3515

From the desk of Fr. Kevin:



*Don't allow the sad sight of human
injustice to sadden your soul; someday
you will see the unfailing justice of God
triumph over it!"-*

Saint Padre Pio of Pietrelcina

In the face of so much human catastrophe, cruelty and indifference it is very easy to get discouraged. But as Catholic Christians we are called to respond to the world with a sense of hope. This is only truly possible when we live a life conscious of Jesus' triumph over sin and death. We cannot lose sight of the fact that Jesus -the Son of God- entered the human condition and was subject to all form of cruelty and disregard but his life did not end in suffering and death but the glory of His Resurrection. This is the source of our hope. This is the proclamation of our faith. This is the grace of God upon which we stand day after day. Let us pray for God's blessing upon us and our world and seek to truly be people of the Kingdom of God by the manner in which we live our lives of faith with compassion, gratitude, wisdom, joy and love!

Peace in Christ,

Fr. Kevin



Lecturas de la Semana

Vigésimotercer Domingo en Tiempo ordinario

Lunes

Col 1:24-2:3; Lk 6:6-11

Martes

Col 2:6-15; Lk 6:12-19

Miércoles

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Su Palabra Hoy

Por el Reverendo William J. Reilly
Iglesia Católica El Santísimo Nombre, Garfield, NJ

Vigésimo Tercer Domingo en Tiempo Ordinario 5 de Septiembre de 2021

“Digan a los que están desalentados: ‘¡Sean fuertes, no teman: ahí está su Dios! Llega la venganza, la represalia de Dios: él mismo viene a salvarlos!’ Entonces se abrirán los ojos de los ciegos y se destaparán los oídos de los sordos; entonces el tullido saltará como un ciervo y la lengua de los mudos gritará de júbilo. Porque brotarán aguas en el desierto y torrentes en la estepa; el páramo se convertirá en un estanque y la tierra sedienta en manantiales.”

¿Ha intentado pintar un cuadro? Junta usted los materiales, pinceles, pintura y decide cómo transformar su idea y ponerla sobre lienzo. Isaías, en su visión, nos provee un cuadro exquisito en palabras de lo que él soñó sería el mundo con un mesías.

Al escuchar las palabras sobre los ciegos, los sordos, los mudos y los cojos, encontramos a Jesús tomando otro pasaje de Isaías y decírselo a los habitantes del pueblo: ‘Hoy se ha cumplido este pasaje de la Escritura que acababan de oír.’ El profeta usó estas imágenes milagrosas que usamos como la razón de ser del mesías, El ha venido a salvarnos

En nuestra hora de dificultad y pena, la imagen y las palabras nos reconfortan, de que toda la razón de la vida de Jesús, era y es para salvarnos. La fe en Jesús, y nuestro sincero deseo de salvación, añadirá belleza a nuestro cuadro.

Lecturas del domingo

Primera: Isaías 35:4-7a

Isaías le dice al pueblo que sea fuerte y valeroso. Dios salvará a su pueblo, y el ciego verá, el sordo oír y el lisiado caminará. En el desierto brotará agua a torrentes, la tierra seca se llenará de manantiales.

Segunda Lectura: Santiago 2:1-5

Santiago anima a la gente a nunca mostrar favoritismo. Cuenta de un acomodador que escolta a un hombre rico al mejor asiento, ignorando al hombre pobre. Dios escoge a gente pobre a ser rica en fé, y por eso nunca debemos juzgar a la gente por su riqueza.

Evangelio: San Marcos 7:31-37

Unas gentes trajeron un sordomudo a Jesús y le rogaron poner su mano sobre el hombre. Jesús le abrió los oídos y lo curó de su impedimento del habla. Le ordenó a la gente no contar esto a nadie, pero estaban demasiado impresionados como para no contarlos.

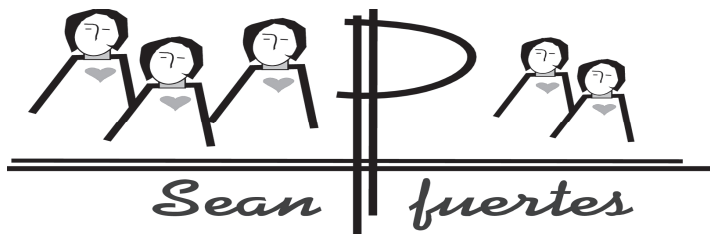
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MAYORDOMÍA
... TIEMPO, TALENTO Y TESORO



23o Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

¿No escogió Dios a los pobres del mundo para hacerlos ricos en la fe y herederos del reino que el prometió a aquellos que lo aman? SANTIAGO 2:5
¿Qué es más importante ser rico en la fe o rico en posesiones? La Sociedad nos dice que las posesiones son lo más importante. Dios nos enseña una lección diferente. Cuando somos ricos en la fe, mantenemos a Dios primero y experimentamos la verdadera alegría y paz. Cuando ponemos los bienes materiales primero, pronto nos damos cuenta de que nunca tenemos suficiente y la felicidad es pasajera. Cuando ponemos la fe por encima de las posesiones realmente nos damos cuenta de que es mejor dar que recibir.



Recordatorio

La Parroquia San José

Inscription Para La Catequesis 2021-2022

Las clases se imparten en

Los lunes a la Parroquia Holy Trinity (60 Maple St., Bridgewater) a las 4:30 a 5:30 pm (908) 526-2394

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Los lunes o los jueves a La Parroquia Santa Ana 45 Anderson St., Raritan a las 6:00 pm hasta a las 7:30 pm (en la escuela Santa Ana) (908) 725-1008



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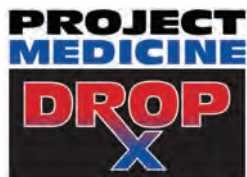
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