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 anytime 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.



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Rev. Kevin P. Kelly, C.O	Administrator
	Parish Office Manager
	Director of Music & Liturgy
The Lord's Day	y Mass Schedule

THE LUI	u s Day Mass Scheuule
Saturday	St. Joseph 4 pm English
	St. Ann's 4 pm
	Holy Trinity 5 pm
Sunday	St. Ann 7:30 am
	St. Joseph 8 am Spanish
	Holy Trinity 8:30 am
	St. Joseph 10 am English
	St. Ann 10 am

Shrine of the Blessed Sacrament 10:00 am (Latin EF) Holy Trinity 10:30 am

St. Joseph 12:00 pm Spanish

St. Ann 12:00 pm St. Ann 5 pm

St. Joseph Holy Days Vigil: 7:30 pm, on the Holy Day 8 am

Daily Masses

Mon. St. Joseph 8 am	Shrine 12:15 pm	St. Ann 7 pm
Tues. St. Ann 7 am	Shrine 12:15 pm	Holy Trinity 7 pm
Wed.	Shrine 12:15 pm	
Thu. St. Ann 7 am	Shrine 12:15 pm	
Fri. St. Joseph 8 am	Shrine 12:15 pm	Holy Trinity 7 pm
First Friday St. Ann 7 pr	m	
Sat. St. Ann 9 am		

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday	St. Ann after the 9 am Mass
•	St. Joseph 3:00 –3:30 pm
Wednesday	Holy Trinity 11 am –12 pm
Friday	.Shrine of the Blessed Sacrament 11 am -12 pm
	or by appointment.

Parish Office

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Email	parishoffice@sjraritan.org
Fr. Kevin Email	frkevin@sjraritan.org
Website	www.siraritan.org



Lazarus. come out! Sunday's Readings

First Reading: Isaiah 43:16-21 God says not to remember the events from long ago, but to focus on the things he plans to do next. He also claims he will again help his chosen people when they need him.

Second Reading: Philippians 3:8-14

Paul describes knowledge of Jesus as more important than knowledge of the Old Law. He wishes to share in the power of Jesus' resurrection, and speaks of concentrating on the finish line of the race with salvation as the prize to be won.

Gospel: John 8:1-11

Jesus preached forgiveness of sin, but in the old law those accused of adultery were to be stoned. So the Pharisees tried to trap Jesus and brought a woman accused of adultery to him, asking him what he would do to her. Jesus asked that one without sin cast the first stone, and then all of the elders left. Jesus told the woman that he did not condemn her, but warned her to avoid such sin in the future.



Readings for the Week Fifth Sunday of Lent

Monday

Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62; Jn 8:12-20

Tuesday

Nm 21:4-9; Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday

Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Jn 8:31-42

Thursday

Gn 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59

Friday

Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10:31-42

Saturday

Ez 37:21-28; Jn 11:45-56

With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

Our Weekly Offering Weekend of March 26 & 27, 2022

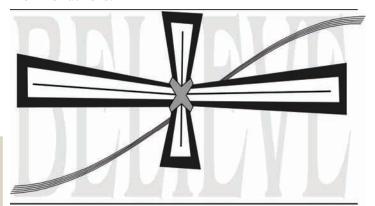
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Total	\$3,069,00	

Thank you and God bless you for supporting the mission of the church and the ministry of St. Joseph.

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.



SEE THE GLORY OF GOD

Ceiling update!

<u>Amount received</u> <u>\$163,410</u>

2022 Bishop's Annual Appeal Celebrating 40 Years— Continuing to Fan the Flame of Faith into Service

Thank you to all who have given so generously to the 2022 Bishop's Annual Appeal. If you have not made a pledge, there is still time to participate. Mail your gift to: Diocese of Metuchen, Bishop's Annual Appeal, PO Box 4000, Metuchen, NJ 08840-4000 or give online at https://diometuchen.org/BAA.

To date, the Development Office has received pledges totaling \$11,510.00 and payments totaling \$9,203.75 from 42 parishioners. This represents 46.0% of your \$25,000.00 goal. Thank you for your efforts.



FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 3, 2022

Monday, April 4, 2022

8:00 am + Irene Potynski r/o Jeff Bukovecky

+ John M. Bauer r/o Georgette & Michael

Priest of the Day – Rev. John Polyak

Tuesday, April 5, 2022

Priest of the Day- Rev. John Primich

Wednesday, April 6, 2022

Priest of the Day- Rev. John Pringle

Thursday, April 7, 2022

Priest of the Day- Rev. Msgr. Eugene Prus

Friday, April 8, 2022

8:00 am + Frank & Maryann Skay r/o Connie Castanzo

+ Santino Fattori r/o Camille

Priest of the Day – Rev. Msgr. Edward Puleo

Saturday, April 9, 2022

4:00 pm Vigil of Palm Sunday of the

Passion of the Lord

Happy birthday John Roehrich r/o Roehrich Family

Priest of the Day - Rev. Roy Quesa

Sunday, April 10, 2022

The Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

8:00 am + Pro-Populo S₁

10:00 am + Santino Fattori r/o Fattori & Krachun Family

+ Anthony & Teresa Perna r/o Ida & Dennis

12:00 pm + Amable Navarro. Spanish

Priest of the Day – Rev. Albert Roca

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 for

+ Santino Fattori r/o Camille

The Blessed Virgin Mary & St. Joseph candles are temporarily suspended.

Paschal Candle-2021

In Memory of John M. Bauer

r/o Georgette & Michael Bauer

New schedule for Confession,

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday......St. Ann after the 9 am Mass St. Joseph 3:00 –3:30 pm prior to the 4 pm Mass Wednesday......Holy Trinity 11 am –12 pm Friday.....Shrine of the Blessed Sacrament

11 am -12 pm

or by appointment by contacting the Parish or Shrine offices.

Our Parish Prayer List.

Pray for the Sick 🧀 🤭

Bill Bizub Edna Carter Joseph Carter Jane Chiesa Joan Chopay

Elizabeth Anne Dwyer

Randy Fisher

Frank Krevis

Tony & Sandy Franchino

Arthur & Maryann Gosenski William Heitz John Hudak Gary Johnson Donna Kelly Roseanne Kielar Jerry Kovac Antonia LaCorte Rosemary Lepri Ralph Lombardi Steve & Geri Max Jack McElhinney Francis M. Mishak, Sr. Bobby Patullo

Dingy & Doobal

Pinzy & Rachel Petrone

Betty Phelan Natasha Polinko Michael Roehrich Ed & Jen Satin Jack & Mary Sullivan Joseph Ungrady Richard Wisniewski Fr. John Morley

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Holy Trinity following the 7:00 pm Mass St Ann's 7:30 pm



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Mass Requests for

April 1-June 30, 2022 only are now available.

Mass Request forms are located at both entrances of the church.

Sunday: 8*, 10:00 am & 12 pm* Monday: 8:00 am Friday: 8:00 am Saturday: 4:00 pm Vigil Mass * Spanish

A celebration of the 40th Anniversary of our Diocese

In celebration of the 40th Anniversary of the establishment of the Diocese of Metuchen, Bishop James F. Checchio is inviting us all to make a commitment to doing 40 works of mercy. This same commitment will help us to serve one another with the same love and mercy bestowed on us by the Father and to witness to His great love in the four beautiful counties of the Diocese of Metuchen. Visit diometuchen.org/worksofmercy to learn how your everyday acts can make an impact and to sign the commitment form.

Marriage Encounter

Special families begin with special husband – wife relationships. Please join us for a special weekend experience. A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend gives you the time and tools to revitalize romance, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held April 29 – May 1. Please apply ASAP as space is limited. Phone 1-732-904-9636 for application and information (Tom & Ruth DeFalco). Visit us at: www.wwme.org for more information.

Statewide Youth Rally at Six Flags Great Adventure-Sunday, May 15, 2022

The Diocese of Metuchen's Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry is excited to share that the 2022 New Jersey Youth Rally at Six Flags Great Adventure in Jackson, NJ, is scheduled for Sunday, May 15, 2022! The cost for the day is \$55 per person (\$25 for season ticket holders) and includes advance entry into the park, a FREE return ticket to Park, a 3-hour all-you-can-eat buffet, Mass, the Opening Ceremony, and a Free Parking Pass. Open to all Jr. High, High School & Young Adult Ministry, Scouting, Parish/School Athletic Programs, families, and all. To purchase your tickets please visit the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry page on Diocesan Website and register before the May 6th deadline. Questions? Please email

mvantslot@diometuchen.org.

Lectio Divina Scripture Sharing

You are invited to share scripture with a small group of people on Monday mornings 11 am–11:30 am. We reflect and share on the Gospel of that day. It is an investment of only one-half hour of your time, and we can assure you that the fruits of that one-half hour will be abundant. Make a commitment for just one Monday, and if you like it, come back the next Monday. Start your week with prayer, community, and hope. We look forward to sharing this time with you! Bring your bible with you! Learn more about how to join this meeting by visiting: https://diometuchen.org/onechurchtogether

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Come together monthly to pray this ancient form of prayer and breathe in God's peace. Includes Centering and Lectio Divina. Tuesday, April 5th from 7:30-8:30pm on Zoom

SPIRITUALITY OF THE BRIGHT SIDE OF IMPERFECTION

It's easy to see the bright side when things are going well and all is right with the world. Then daily life's challenges happen and you feel you just can't get it right, you're not as good as Fill in their name here, you begin to lose hope. Wait until you meet the cast of characters who have gifts... "Yes Gifts"...to share with you through their experiences of imperfection...Are you thinking, can this be real? Please join us for a walk on the bright side of imperfection. You will be amazed, and uplifted, and discover the Spirit filled blessings and plans God has in store for you. Looking forward to stepping into the sunshine with you! Wednesday, April 6th from 7-9 pm \$20-\$30 as you are able Presenter: Donna McCabe Donna is an active parish minister and experienced spiritual director.

Please note: The Parish Web Site is now: sjraritan.org





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OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

April 3, 2022

Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

As we celebrate our 40th anniversary as a diocese, we pause to reflect on the many blessings we have received over the years. I know you will agree that one of those blessings has been our faithful and generous priests who have and are serving the Church of Metuchen. Hundreds of priests have served in our parishes, schools, hospitals, nursing homes and in diocesan ministries during these 40 years. As I think back on my own life, I see my own faith has been shaped by the priests who ministered to my family and me while growing up. Good, holy and faithful priests bring joy to our people and to the Church.

Currently, the Diocese of Metuchen has 32 retired priests, 10 living at our Maria Regina Residence for retired priests while others live in rectories or in private homes or apartments which they or their family and friends have arranged. Just imagine how many Masses, baptisms and confessions these priests have celebrated. They have blessed us, mourned with us, and ministered to us, selflessly offering decades of service to God and the faithful of our diocese. Even in retirement, those who are able continue to celebrate Mass and assist with the Sacrament of Reconciliation. They bring Christ's love to the sick and serve as spiritual leaders, counselors, and teachers, giving freely of their time to assist our parishes. The retired priests, who for health reasons can no longer minister in our parishes, also continue to support our local Church through their prayers and example.

On Palm Sunday weekend, April 9 and 10, the faithful of our diocese will have the opportunity to gratefully acknowledge the priests who have faithfully served our diocese by responding to the Annual Collection for our Retired Diocesan Priests. All funds raised through this collection will be used exclusively to assist our retired priests, subsidizing the Maria Regina Residence.

Your generous response to next week's special collection is a practical way to convey your personal appreciation to our retired priests for their many years of service as well as make it possible for us to continue to properly care for them. Please keep all of our priests in your daily prayers. We depend on your prayerful support in order to accomplish the work of the Gospel in our challenging times.

With renewed best wishes, I remain

Yours in Christ, + Jam J. Cheulin

Most Reverend James F. Checchio, JCD, MBA

Bishop of Metuchen

HOLY WEEK & EASTER SCHEDULE 2022

The Raritan Congregation of the Oratory welcomes everyone to celebrate Holy Week and Easter with us!

Saturday, April 9 & Sunday, April 10: Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion (LS) Regular Weekend Schedule; Palms will be blessed and distributed at all Masses. 3:30 PM Sung Vespers at St. Ann Church (LS)

Monday, April 11: Monday of Holy Week

8:00 AM St. Joseph 12:15 PM Shrine Chapel

7:00 PM St. Ann

Tuesday, April 12: Tuesday of Holy Week

7:00 AM St. Ann

4:00 PM Chrism Mass*

12:15 PM Shrine Chapel *At St. Francis of Assisi Cathedral, Metuchen

No 7:00 PM Mass at Holy Trinity due to the Chrism Mass

Wednesday, April 13: Wednesday of Holy Week

7:00 AM St. Ann 11:00 AM Confessions at Holy Trinity 12:15 PM Shrine Chapel, followed by Stations of the Cross

Thursday, April 14: Holy Thursday - Mass of the Lord's Supper (LS)

9:00 AM Morning Prayer at St. Ann 7:00 PM Holy Trinity, St. Ann, St. Joseph (Bilingual), & Shrine Chapel (Latin) Offices Closed

Friday, April 15: Good Friday of the Lord's Passion (LS)

9:00 AM Morning Prayer at St. Ann 12:00 PM Stations of the Cross at St. Ann 3:00 PM Holy Trinity, St. Ann, St. Joseph (English), & Shrine Chapel (Latin) 7:00 PM St. Joseph (Spanish) 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross at Holy Trinity Offices Closed

Saturday, April 16: Holy Saturday - The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night (LS)

9:00 AM Morning Prayer at St. Ann 11:00 AM Blessing of Easter Food Baskets at St. Joseph 8:15 PM Holy Trinity, St. Ann, St. Joseph (Bilingual), & Shrine Chapel (Latin)

Sunday, April 17: Easter Sunday of the Resurrection Regular Sunday Schedule except no 5:00 PM Mass at St. Ann

Monday, April 18: Easter Monday 9:00 AM Mass only at St. Ann Offices Closed

Tuesday, April 19: Easter Tuesday Regular weekday schedule resumes and offices reopen

(LS) = Livestreamed on the Raritan Oratory YouTube Channel



Lecturas del domingo Primera Lectura: Isaías 43:16-21

Dios dice que no hay que recordar el pasado sino enfocarse en las cosas que planea hacer. También asegura que ayudará a su pueblo escogido cundo lo necesiten.

Segunda Lectura: Filipenses 3:8-14

Pablo dice que el conocimiento de Jesús es más importante que el de la Ley Antigua. Desea compartir el poder de la resurrección de Jesús, y habla de concentrarse en llegar a la meta y ganar el premio de la salvación.

Evangelio: San Juan 8:1-11

Jesús enseña a perdonar el pecado. En la Ley Antigua, mujeres acusadas de adulterio eran lapidadas. Los fariseos lo pusieron a prueba y le llevaron a una mujer acusada de adulterio, y le preguntaron qué hacer. Jesús les dijo que aquel sin pecado le tirara la primera piedra. Los ancianos se fueron. Jesús no condenó a la mujer pero le advirtió no volver a pecar. ©2000 Bon Venture Services, Inc.

Lecturas de la Semana Quinto Domingo de Cuaresma

Lunes

2 Kgs 5:1-15ab; Lk 4:24-30

Martes

Dn 3:25, 34-43; Mt 18:21-35

Miércoles

Dt 4:1, 5-9; Mt 5:17-19

Jueves

Jer 7:23-28; Lk 11:14-23

Viernes

Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38

Sábado

Hos 6:1-6; Lk 18:9-14

Campaña Anual del Obispo 2022 Celebrando 40 años— Continuar avivando la llama de la fe en servicio

Gracias a todos los que han donado tan generosamente a la Campaña Anual del Obispo 2022. Si aún no ha hecho su promesa de donación, todavía hay tiempo para participar. Envíe su aporte por correo a: Diocese of Metuchen, Bishop's Annual Appeal, PO Box 4000, Metuchen, NJ 08840-4000 o realice su donación en línea en https://diometuchen.org/BAA.

Hasta la fecha, la Oficina de Desarrollo ha recibido promesas por un total de \$11,510.00 y pagos por un total de \$9,203.75 de 42 feligreses. Esto representa el 46,0% de su Meta de \$25,000.00. Gracias por tus esfuerzos.



Su Palabra Hoy

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

Quinto Domingo de Cuaresma 3 de abril de 2022

"Más aún, todo me parece una desventaja comparado con el inapreciable conocimiento de Cristo Jesús, mi Señor. Por él he sacrificado todas las cosas, a las que considero como desperdicio, con tal de ganar a Cristo ... Por la fe podré conocerlo a él, conocer el poder de su resurrección ..."

A menudo escuchamos la expresión 'una situación de ganar o perder'. Al acercarnos a los días que se vienen, cambiamos esta ecuación, ya que el misterio pascual es para nosotros una realidad de ganar o ganar. El sufrimiento y muerte de Jesús lleva a Su resurrección, y gana una nueva vida para nosotros. Cuán fácil es para nosotros olvidar que la pasión y muerte de Jesús, no fue sólo Su esfuerzo, sino que ocurrió por nosotros, al leer y reflexionar sobre las palabras de San Pablo hoy.

Hoy Jesús se agacha, escribe en la arena. Ya que nadie tira la primera piedra sino que se van, ojalá que perdonemos a otros y escuchemos lo que Jesús nos dice: "Tampoco yo te condeno, ve y no peques más.' Antes de la Semana Santa, vaya a confesarse. Esa es nuestra situación de ganar o ganar.

Hermano Juniper





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