

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.

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The Lord's Day Mass Schedule

Saturday..... **St. Joseph 4 pm English**, Holy Trinity 5 pm
Sunday..... **St. Joseph 7:30 am Spanish**, St. Ann 7:30 am,
St. Joseph 9 am English, St. Ann 10:30 am,
Holy Trinity 10:30 am, Shrine of the Blessed
Sacrament 10:30 am (Latin EF)
St. Joseph 12:00 pm Spanish, St. Ann 12:00 pm,
St. Ann 5 pm

Holy Days

7:00 pm Vigil Mass—St. Joseph (English)
8am: St Ann, 12:15pm: Shrine Chapel, Holy Trinity
7:00 pm : St. Ann, Shrine Chapel (Latin EF), 7:30 pm St. Joseph (Spa.)

Weekday Masses

Monday through Friday..... 8 am St. Ann, 12:15 pm Shrine (E)
Friday 7 pm Holy Trinity (E)
Saturday..... 9 am St. Ann (E)
First Saturdays..... 9 am Shrine (Latin)

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

Open Monday through Friday 9:00 am to 12:00 pm (NEW)
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Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 6, 2025



HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

INTENCIONES DE LA SANTA MISA

First Saturday, July 5, 2025

4:00 pm +Rev. Joseph Olsavsky, R/o Michael R. Prokop
Priest remembered today: Rev. David Keyes

Sunday, July 6, Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am* Pro-populo (for the people)

Priest remembered today: Rev. Gustavo Rodriguez-Perez

9 am Mary E. Prokop R/o Michael R. Prokop

Priest remembered today: Rev. Thomas Lanza

12 pm* +Matias Ortega

Priest remembered today: Rev. Ronald Pastrana

Saturday, July 12, 2025

4:00 pm +Michael J. Reed R/o Michael R. Prokop

Priest remembered today: Rev. Gilbert Starcher

Sunday, July 13, 2025, Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am* Pro-populo (for the people)

Priest remembered today: Rev. John Triana

9 am +Ivonne Doiron

Priest remembered today: Rev. Gregory Zannetti

12 pm* +Juan Luis Ramirez Cabezas

Priest remembered today: Rev. Jose Manuel Lim

* En Español, in Spanish

SUNDAY MASS READING 7/6

First Reading: Isaiah 66:10-14c

Isaiah instructs the people of Jerusalem to rejoice, because God would restore her prosperity. The people will better understand God's power through their homeland's restoration.

Second Reading: Galatians 6:14-18

Paul describes the sign of the cross of Jesus as all that is significant. Following the old laws is unimportant. Instead, being baptized in Christ and adhering to his ideals is what matters most.

Gospel: Luke 10:1-12, 17-20

Jesus sent forth seventy-two disciples to preach his good news, telling them "the harvest is rich, but the workers few." He also gave them detailed instructions on how to act towards the people. Jesus then reminded them not to be happy because of their power over evil, but to rejoice in the salvation they would achieve.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

LECTURAS PARA LA STA. MISA ESTA SEMANA

Monday

Gn 28:10-22a; Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday

Gn 32:23-33; Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday

Gn 41:55-57, 42:5-7a, 17-24a; Mt 10:1-7

Thursday

Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29, 45:1-5; Mt 10:7-15

Friday

Gn 46:1-7, 28-30; Mt 10:16-23

Saturday

Gn 49:29-32, 50:15-26a; Mt 10:24-33



CANDLE INTENTIONS

Sanctuary: Frank Krachun Jr.
R/o Camille Krachun

Blessed Virgin Mary: Fattori & Sinibaldi
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St. Joseph: Krachun & Gall Families
R/o Camille Krachun

The Paschal Candle:
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Families R/o Their loved ones

Pray for the Sick

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Irene Sixt
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Joan Chopay
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Randy Fisher

Tony & Sandy Franchino
Arthur & Maryann
Gosenski
Mary Grande
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Roseanne Kielar
Jerry Kovac
Antonia LaCorte
Ralph Lombardi
Steve & Geri Max
Jack McElhinney

JULY IS DEDICATED TO THE PRECIUS BLOOD OF JESUS



THE MOST PRECIUS BLOOD OF JESUS -July-

“[T]here is not a soul that can at all procure salvation, except it believe whilst it is in the flesh, so true is it that the flesh is the very condition on which salvation hinges. And since the soul is, in consequence of its salvation, chosen to the service of God, it is the flesh which actually renders it capable of such service. The flesh, indeed, is washed [in baptism], in order that the soul may be cleansed . . . the flesh is shadowed with the imposition of hands [in confirmation], that the soul also may be illuminated by the Spirit; the flesh feeds [in the Eucharist] on the body and blood of Christ, that the soul likewise may be filled with God”

(The Resurrection of the Dead 8 [A.D. 210]).

-TERTULLIAN

Make an examination of conscience to prepare yourself to receive **Communion**. **Do you have any serious sin on your soul?** St. Paul tells us that we should examine ourselves before receiving, so as not to be guilty of receiving the Body and Blood of the Lord unworthily, and so eating and drinking condemnation to ourselves.

During the consecration offer up the Body and Blood of Our Lord to God the Father in Atonement for blasphemies, outrages and ingratitude to the Sacred and Immaculate Hearts, for your own intentions, and the intentions of the Holy Mass.

Fourteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time A Salesian reflection on the Sunday Gospel by an Oblate of St. Francis de Sales

Today's first readings focus on our need to focus on the providence of God as well as to embrace the cross (our commitments) of Jesus if we wish to partake of our new creation in Christ. Here are a few thoughts of St. Francis on the value of simplicity in becoming Christ-like:

Simplicity is nothing else but a pure and simple act of charity. This act of simple charity has only one aim and one desire: to love God. (Conf. Coneiro, 96-7) Simplicity is a virtue. Truly simple persons spend their time with the Lord. Learn from the dove to love God in the simplicity of your heart. Doves have only one single partner for whom they do everything. They are quite certain of their love and happy to be in each other's company. That is, obtain in yourselves an increase of divine love through the simplicity of your heart. (Conf. Coneiro, 97)

Simplicity removes from our hearts all the worry and anxiety that we have searching to know the art of loving God. The only way we can experience and grow in the love of God is to start doing the things that please God. Simplicity includes all the means prescribed to each person, according to one's particular vocation, to acquire God's love. (Conf. Coneiro, 98)

Simplicity is opposed to all kinds of subtlety, cheating and duplicity, which are ways we deceive our neighbor. Simplicity requires that our interior disposition match our exterior behavior. This does not imply that we ought to necessarily reveal exteriorly all our interior feelings. God's love requires that we admit our agitated feelings so that we are able with God's love to transform them so that they serve God's good and wholesome purpose. (Conf. Coneiro, 99-100). This is to say that by cooperating with God's grace through the use of reason and our free will all of our destructive feelings become transformed through virtuous acts of doing God's will.

On the one hand we are told to take great care of our perfection and progress, and on the other hand not to think about it. The misery of the human spirit is that it never follows the middle course, but usually runs to extremes. It is these extremes that we must avoid. (Conf. Coneiro, p.103). In the end, true simplicity seeks our well-being in letting ourselves be led and directed absolutely by God's Spirit. (Ibid)

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WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS

29-Jun-25	Collection	Online G	Total
Offertory	\$3,416.00	\$325.00	\$3,741.00
Total for parish operation			\$3,741.00
Diocesan:			
Peter's Pence	\$1,177.00		\$1,177.00
			\$0.00
Diocese of Metuchen			\$1,177.00

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2025 Bishop's Annual Appeal PILGRIMS OF HOPE (Campaign Summary Report):

Parish Goal: **\$25,000** | Total Pledged & Received: **\$24,882.95** | Amount **Received: \$23,732.95** | Under Goal: **\$-117.05** | Percent of Goal Received: **94.93%** | Average Gift Amount: **\$292.74**

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Learn more about *Walking with Moms in Need* with these video resources. Our collection of stories, webinars, and special topics videos are great for personal use or can be used in group settings to introduce this exciting initiative to your parish, ministry, or core team. For resources, visit: <https://www.walkingwithmoms.com/videos>

Free Webinar - A Natural Approach to Fertility Care July 24, 2025

The Office of Family life invites you to a free webinar, "A Natural Approach to Fertility Care" on Thursday, July 24th, at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom. Presenter, Dr. Monika Potocki, of the Gianna Center in New Brunswick will discuss NAPRO Technology, an effective and ethical approach to fertility care in line with the teachings of the Catholic Church. To register, please visit <https://diometuchen.org/familylife>. For questions, please contact Cristina at cdaverso@diometuchen.org

Life-Giving Wounds Retreat August 22 – 24, 2025

Retreat for healing for adult children of divorce or separation. Arrive on August 22nd by 6:00 PM and depart on August 24th by 1:00 PM. Cost is \$315 per person which includes meals and 2 nights' accommodations at the San Alfonso Retreat House, 755 Ocean Avenue, Long Branch NJ.

Contact cdaverso@diometuchen.org or amarshall@diometuchen.org with any questions. Register at <https://diometuchen.org/adult-children-of-divorce>.

Dr. Joseph White The Catechetical Accompaniment Process

Date: Wednesday, September 3

Time: 10am to 1:30pm, doors open at 9:30

Location: St. John Neumann Pastoral Center 146 Metlars Lane, Piscataway. Join fellow PCLs and catechists as Dr. Joseph White from OSV explains the latest catechetical standards promulgated by the Institute on the Catechism of the USCCB. Coffee/light breakfast/lunch provided. Mass at 11:45.

To Register: <https://diometuchen.org/homeschool-ministry>

Silver & Gold & 5 Year Wedding Anniversary Celebration

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You are cordially invited to celebrate your 25th, 50th, 50+ or 5th Anniversary at a special Evening Prayer Service at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen on Sunday, October 19, 2025 at 3:00 PM.

Surviving Divorce October - November 2025

Surviving Divorce – For men and women seeking healing from separation or divorce. This 8-week program, while based on the teachings of the Catholic, is open to anyone who needs comfort, counsel and clarity after a divorce. Meetings will be held on 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM beginning **October 1 – November 19, 2025** at the **St. John Neumann Pastoral Center, 146 Metlars Lane, Piscataway, NJ**. For more information or to register contact Rachelle Hanna at hanna@gmail.com.

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Una reflexión Salesiana sobre el evangelio dominical por una Hija de San Francisco de Sales

En un día cualquiera, la mayoría de nosotros pasamos nuestro tiempo, nuestro talento y nuestra energía lidiando con y tratando de balancear todas las cosas de la vida que son las mas urgentes: mantener citas, cumplir con los plazos, sobreviviendo el viaje diario de un lado a otro, ir/regresar del partido de soccer, pagar las cuentas, comprar comida, manejar el hogar, monitorear tareas, comer, dormir, etc., etc., etc.

Cuándo se supone que debemos encontrar el tiempo para hacer “lo que realmente importa: el ser creados de nuevo?”

Buscar cosas en la vida que verdaderamente importan no significa que le estamos dando la espalda a aquellas cosas que son más urgentes. Todo lo contrario. Francisco de Sales dijo: *"Tengan cuidado y pongan atención a todos los asuntos que Dios les ha encomendado: por que como Dios se los ha confiado a ustedes, Dios desea que ustedes se encarguen de ellos con mucho cuidado."* Ustedes saben, cosas como cumplir con las citas, cumplir con los plazos, sobrevivir el viaje diario de un lado a otro, ir/regresar del partido de soccer, pagar las cuentas, comprar comida, manejar el hogar, monitorear tareas, comer, dormir, etc., etc., etc.

Mantener en mente las cosas que verdaderamente importan significa mantener en perspectiva todas las cosas que nos mantienen ocupados: *"No se preocupen, quiero decir, no se dejen que esas cosas los inquieten, les produzcan ansiedad,"* observaba Francisco de Sales. *"No se preocupen por esas cosas, por que la preocupación perturba la razón y el buen juicio y no nos permite hacer bien esas mismas cosas por las que tanto nos hemos preocupado en primer lugar."*

Vivir una vida feliz, saludable y santa no se trata de tener que escoger entre satisfacer nuestros cometidos y responsabilidades o buscar aquellas cosas que son mas importantes: esta no es una posición entre esto y lo otro. En la tradición Salesiana, es solo cuando mantenemos fijo a nuestros ojos lo que verdaderamente importa – “que seamos creados de nuevo” – que verdaderamente podemos hacer justicia para con todas las cosas que tengamos que sobrellevar cada día.

Lo más importante para Jesús era proclamar el poder y la promesa de la Buena Nueva de la salvación, de la redención, de la vida y del amor. Aun así, como lo demuestra claramente el Evangelio de hoy, buscar las cosas que verdaderamente importan generó mas de una “lista de cosas que hacer” para Jesús y sus discípulos.

A través de cada día traten de mantener en mente y en su corazón las pequeñas cosas que verdaderamente importan. Manténganse firmes en el deseo de Dios de que ustedes sean creados de nuevo; mantenga frente a sus ojos la imagen del Cristo gentil y humilde que camina con ustedes a través de cada momento de cada día; recuerden la invitación de Dios para que personifiquen la Buena Nueva en formas que sean apropiadas para el estado y las circunstancias en las que sus vidas se encuentren.

Pero no se tomen demasiado tiempo. Después de todo, nosotros tenemos mucho que hacer el día de hoy!

LECTURAS DEL DECIMOCUARTO DOMINGO EN TIEMPO ORDINARIO

Primera Lectura: Isaías 66:10-14c

Isaías instruyó al pueblo de Jerusalén a regocijarse, porque Dios les devolvería su prosperidad. La gente entendería mejor el poder de Dios de esta manera.

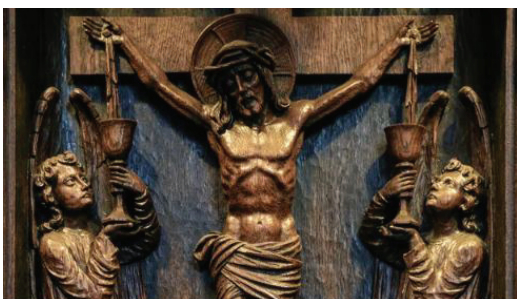
Segunda Lectura: Gálatas 6:14-18

Pablo describe el signo de la cruz de Jesús como lo más importante. De acuerdo a la Ley Antigua eso no tiene importancia. En vez, ser bautizado en Cristo y adheriéndose a sus ideales es lo que importa más.

Evangelio: San Lucas 10:1-12, 17-20

Jesús envió a setenta y dos discípulos a predicar las buenas nuevas, diciéndoles: “la cosecha es mucha, pero los trabajadores son pocos”. Les dió instrucciones detalladas de cómo actuar con la gentes. Jesús les recordó no estar contentos para no caer en tentación, sino regocijarse en la salvación que alcanzarán.

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La devoción católica a la Preciosa Sangre de Cristo lleva a adorar al Señor Jesús reconociendo, con gratitud y amor, el valor de su sacratísima sangre.

¿Por qué julio se dedica a la Santísima Sangre de Cristo?

Un Papa estableció esta fiesta cuando se vio exiliado de Roma

Una devoción particular en la Iglesia católica relacionada con la **Pasión de Jesucristo** consiste en honrar su Preciosa Sangre.

Es un **reconocimiento** del **sacrificio de Jesús** y de cómo derramó su sangre para la salvación de la humanidad. Además, esta sangre se hace presente a través del don de la Eucaristía y es algo que podemos consumir en la **misa**, junto con el cuerpo de Cristo, bajo la apariencia de pan y vino.

Historia de la devoción a la Sangre de Cristo

Con el tiempo, la **Iglesia desarrolló varias fiestas de la Preciosa Sangre**, pero no fue hasta el siglo XIX cuando se estableció una fiesta universal.

Durante la Primera Guerra Italiana por la Independencia en 1849, el papa Pío IX se exilió a Gaeta.

Fue allí con Don Giovanni Merlini, tercer superior general de los Padres de la Preciosa Sangre.

Mientras la guerra seguía en su apogeo, Merlini le sugirió al papa Pío IX que creara una **fiesta universal** a la Preciosa Sangre para rogar a la ayuda celestial de Dios para que terminara la guerra y llevar la paz a Roma.

Pío IX posteriormente hizo una declaración el 30 de junio de 1849 de que tenía la intención de crear una fiesta en honor de la Preciosa Sangre. La guerra pronto terminó y regresó a Roma poco después.

El 10 de agosto lo hizo oficial, y proclamó que **el primer domingo de julio se dedicara a la Preciosa Sangre de Jesucristo**. Más tarde, el papa Pío X asignó el 1 de julio como la fecha fija de esta celebración.

Después del Concilio Vaticano II, la fiesta se eliminó del

calendario, pero se estableció una Misa votiva en honor de la Preciosa Sangre que se puede celebrar en el mes de julio (como en la mayoría de los otros meses del año). Por estas razones, todo el mes de julio se dedica tradicionalmente a la **Preciosa Sangre**, y se alienta a los católicos a meditar sobre el sacrificio profundo de Jesús y el derramamiento de su sangre por la humanidad.

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EL EVANGELIO SEGÚN SAN JUAN

Presentador: Padre Gustavo Amell S.T.

4 CLASES:
Lunes 30 de Junio,
Jueves 3 de Julio,
Lunes 7 de Julio, y
Jueves 10 de Julio

7 pm – 9 pm
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