

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.

Very Rev. Jeffrey Calia, C.O., Provost

Rev. Kevin P. Kelly, C.O.Administrator
Nora MartinParish Office Manager
Anthony R. Nardino..... Director of Music & Liturgy
Ramon Salazar.....Multi-Parish Facilities Manager

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

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Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 27, 2025



HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

INTENCIONES DE LA SANTA MISA

Saturday, July 26, 2025

4:00 pm Rufino Faller R/o Jasmine & Efren Caraos
Priest remembered today: Rev. Larrydom Magdasoc

Sunday, July 27, 2025, Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Priest remembered today: Rev. Jan Magdasoc

9 am +Bill Sixt R/o Irene Sixt

Priest remembered today: Rev. Jerome Ocampo

12 pm *

Priest remembered today: Rev. Thomas Aenekatt, VC

First Saturday, August 2, 2025

4:00 pm Debora Sepesi [sep-see] R/o The Sepesi Family
Priest remembered today: Rev. Leon Aniszczyk

Sunday, August 3, 2025, Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Priest remembered today: Rev. John Alvarado

9 am +Anthony Perna R/o Dennis & Ida Ciemniecki

+Les Walten R/o Ralph & Diane Lombardi

Priest remembered today: Rev. Antony Arockiadoss

12 pm * +Walter Mena Artavia

Priest remembered today: Rev. John Barbella

** En Español, in Spanish*

SUNDAY MASS READING 7/27

First Reading: Genesis 18:20-32

Abraham pleads with the Lord, who planned to destroy Sodom and Gomorrah because of the evil and sin in those cities. Abraham asks him if he would spare the city if fifty, forty, thirty, twenty or even only ten innocent people were found there. God says that he would spare the cities even for the sake of only ten.

Second Reading: Colossians 2:12-14

Paul explains to the Colossians that through baptism, they are raised to life with Christ because they believed in the power of the God who raised him from the dead. Even though they once lived in sin, their sins have been pardoned through Jesus.

Gospel: Luke 11:1-13

Jesus' disciples asked him how they should pray. He gave them some phrases similar to those now used in the Lord's prayer. Jesus also reminds the disciples how even men with sins are able to give good things to their children, and explains how much more the heavenly Father wants to give to us.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

LECTURAS PARA LA STA. MISA ESTA SEMANA

Monday

Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday

Ex 33:7-11, 34:5b-9, 28; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday

Ex 34:29-35; Mt 13:44-46

Thursday

Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Mt 13:47-53

First Friday

Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Mt 13:54-58

First Saturday

Lv 25:1, 8-17; Mt 14:1-12



CANDLE INTENTIONS

Sanctuary: Frank Krachun Jr.

R/o Camille Krachun

Blessed Virgin Mary:

+Jennie Oraschin

R/o Mr. & Mrs. Ken McCann

St. Joseph: Krachun & Gall Families

R/o Camille Krachun

The Paschal Candle: In Memory of The Krachun & Fattori Families R/o Their loved ones

Pray for the Sick

Michael Galida
 George Riehman, Jr.
 Jennifer Rose
 Robert Valance
 Thomas McGrath
 Irene Sixt
 Annmarie Bizub
 Joseph Carter
 Jane Chiesa
 Joan Chopay
 Elizabeth Anne Dwyer
 Randy Fisher

Tony & Sandy Franchino
 Arthur & Maryann Gosenski
 Mary Grande
 Donna Kelly
 Roseanne Kielar
 Antonia LaCorte
 Ralph Lombardi
 Steve & Geri Max
 Jack McElhinney
 Allsya Miller

JULY IS DEDICATED TO THE PRECIUS BLOOD OF JESUS

JULY: MONTH OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD

The devotion to the Precious Blood of Jesus is a rich and ancient tradition in the Catholic Church, centered on the saving power of Christ's blood poured out for humanity. This devotion invites the faithful to contemplate the immense love of Christ shown through his Passion and to deepen our gratitude for the price of our redemption.



The foundation for this devotion is deeply scriptural. In the Old Testament, the blood of sacrificial animals sealed covenants between God and his people. In the New Testament, Christ becomes the true Lamb of God whose Blood establishes the New and Eternal Covenant. St. Paul writes in the Letter to the Hebrews: "Without the shedding of blood, there is no forgiveness of sins" (Hebrews 9:22). Jesus fulfills this by offering himself once for all, and his Blood becomes the means of our salvation.

The devotion to the Precious Blood gained formal recognition in the Church especially through the efforts of St. Gaspar del Bufalo (1786–1837), founder of the Missionaries of the Precious Blood. At a time of political and spiritual upheaval in 19th-century Italy, St. Gaspar promoted this devotion as a source of strength and renewal, preaching the power of Christ's Blood to reconcile sinners, protect the Church, and sanctify the world.

In 1849, Pope Pius IX instituted the Feast of the Precious Blood, originally celebrated on July 1st. While it was later incorporated into the Solemnity of Corpus Christi following the liturgical reforms of Vatican II, July remains the traditional month dedicated to the Precious Blood in Catholic devotion. During this time, the faithful are encouraged to reflect on the mysteries of Christ's suffering and to invoke the Precious Blood in prayer.

Common practices associated with this devotion include reciting the Litany of the Precious Blood, making acts of reparation for sins, meditating on the Seven Bloodsheddings of Christ (such as the circumcision, the agony in the garden, the scourging, and the crucifixion), and attending Mass with particular awareness of the chalice that contains Christ's Blood.

In our times, marked by spiritual dryness, fear, and division, devotion to the Precious Blood calls us back to the source of grace, healing, and unity—the love of Christ made visible in his sacrifice.

WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS

	13-Jul-25	Collection	Online G	Total
Offertory		\$4,040.00	\$615.00	\$4,655.00
Total for parish operation				\$4,655.00
Offertory	20-Jul-25	\$3,111	\$455.00	\$3,566.00
Total for parish operation				\$3,566.00

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 our website and follow the registration steps for recurrent or one time donations sjraritan.org



2025 Bishop's Annual Appeal PILGRIMS OF HOPE (Campaign Summary Report): 7/18/25

Parish Goal: **\$25,000** | Total Pledged & Received:

\$24,982.95 | Amount **Received: \$23,972.95** |

Under Goal: **\$-17.05** | Percent of Goal Received: **95.89%** |

Average Gift Amount: **\$290.50**

Tuition Angels Needed!

Be a Blessing by giving a gift that lasts a lifetime! We are praying for 7 generous Tuition Angels to provide partial tuition scholarships (\$1,500-\$3,500) to offset the total tuition cost for students who dream of attending St. Ann Classical Academy but need financial assistance to do so. Become part of their story. Give at

<https://stannclassical.org/tuitionangels>

or call 908-725-7787. St. Ann, pray for us!

The Ancient Order of Hibernians and Knights of Columbus

invite all Catholic families to a picnic to be held on **Saturday, August 16th**, from **12 noon to 6 PM** at the **Eagles Aerie Bridgewater picnic grounds 360 Woodside Lane, Bridgewater NJ 08807**. If interested, please contact Neil Mahoney at neilmahoneynyc@yahoo.com or call/text him at 908-672-3686 to receive a flyer with all information for the picnic as well as costs.



August: Month of the immaculate Heart of Mary
aletea.org

SAINT JOSEPH PARISH SEWAGE PIPING REPAIR PROJECT

You may be wondering: Why is the front yard scruffed up? On Monday, July 14, 2025, & Wed. July 15, a section of the church's original sewage pipping was replaced.

The back story: Last year we had to call a plumber a couple of times to deal with pipe blockage. Different companies evaluated the state of the original piping and determined that a section of the pipes needed to be replaced sooner than later to prevent further damage and a possible bursting. Guided by the Diocesan facilities management we selected an experienced contractor they recommended.

After the job was finished, several men from our Hispanic community, led by Ramon Salazar, the

Oratory Parishes Facilities Manager and a **PAGE 4** long time St. Joseph parishioner, donated their time and talent to reseed the area.

Cost: \$21,953.77 (\$21,780.00 piping, topsoil \$173.27)

How can I help?

Donations are welcome, please write **"sewage"** on the memo line of your check.

A special 2nd collection to offset the cost of this project will be taken **next weekend, Aug 6-7**





Una reflexión Salesiana sobre el Evangelio dominical por un Oblato de San Francisco de Sales

Las lecturas de hoy nos urgen a que oremos diariamente cada vez que sentimos verdadera necesidad de Dios, ya que El desea satisfacer nuestras necesidades. He aquí algunos de las muchas reflexiones de San Francisco de Sales respecto a la oración:

Nuestro buen Amo claramente nos enseña, a través del Padre Nuestro, que primero debemos orar para que Dios sea reconocido y venerado por todos. Seguidamente, debemos pedir por eso que es fundamental para nosotros, la llegada del Reino de Dios. El Reino es el principio y el fin de nuestra existencia. Todos deseamos habitar en el cielo. Paso seguido, oramos para que se haga la voluntad de Dios. Una vez hayamos hecho estas peticiones Nuestro Señor deja en claro que debemos orar por el pan de cada día, todos los días.

Durante la oración Dios entra en el jardín de nuestra alma y siembra allí el amor divino. Con el tiempo, a medida que vamos cultivando, por medio de la oración, lo que Dios ha plantado en nuestros corazones, vamos también adquiriendo confianza en la evolución de nuestra amistad con EL. Nuestra amistad florecerá de forma tan entrañable, que incluso podremos pedir a Dios que nos otorgue todo lo que deseamos. Entonces, del mismo modo en que alabamos a Dios en la oración, también le pedimos por todo aquello que es bueno. Podemos pedir cualquier cosa a Dios, con la única condición que aquello que pidamos sea conforme a Su voluntad, y enaltezca Su gloria.

Durante la oración Dios nos otorga todos los buenos pensamientos que necesitamos para poder alcanzar la plenitud. La oración nos enseña cómo llevar a cabo cada una de nuestras acciones correctamente. Cada acción llevada a cabo por aquellos que veneran a Dios, es una oración continua. Quienes dan limosnas, visitan a los enfermos, y ponen en práctica las buenas obras, están orando. Ellos son voces que alaban a Dios con sus buenas obras.

El objetivo de la oración es desear solamente a Dios. Nuestro Salvador desea sembrar en nosotros abundante gracia y bendiciones, e incluso Su corazón, completamente encendido y ardiendo con un amor incomparable por nosotros. Confesemos a Dios nuestros deseos cuando estemos en presencia Suya, para que El pueda transformarnos totalmente en Si Mismo. ¿Cómo no abrir nuestros corazones durante la oración, para permitir que el

Espíritu Santo pueda inundarlo de amor divino?

(Adaptación de los Escritos de San Francisco de Sales)

Oblates.org

DECIMOSEPTIMO DOMINGO EN TIEMPO ORDINARIO

Primera Lectura: Génesis 18:20-32

Abraham le ruega al Señor, quien planea destruir Sodoma y Gomorra por el mal y el pecado que había en ellas. Abraham le pregunta si los perdonaría si pudiera encontrar cincuenta, cuarenta, treinta, veinte, o aún diez personas inocentes. Dios le dice que los perdonaría si pudiera encontrar al menos diez.

Segunda Lectura: Colosenses 2:12-14

Pablo explica a los colosenses que a través del bautismo son alzados a la vida con Cristo, porque creen en el poder de Dios quien se levantó de entre los muertos. A pesar de que antes vivían en pecado, han sido perdonados por medio de Jesús.

Evangelio: San Lucas 11:1-13

Los discípulos de Jesús le preguntan cómo deben orar. Les dió algunas de las frases que son similares al Padre Nuestro. Jesús también les recordó a los discípulos cómo hombres pecadores son capaces de darles cosas buenas a sus hijos, y explica cuánto más nuestro Padre en el cielo quiere darnos.

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Del 18 de Agosto al
29 de Septiembre de 2025
Costo: \$35 por persona
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Agosto:**Mes del Inmaculado Corazón de María****¿COMO HACER UNA CONSAGRACION AL INMACULADO CORAZON DE MARIA?**

“El corazón que más se asemeja al de Cristo es, sin duda alguna, el corazón de María, su Madre inmaculada, y precisamente por eso la liturgia los propone juntos a nuestra veneración”
(Papa Benedicto XVI).

La consagración mariana es una manifestación externa que expresa nuestro deseo interior de seguir la voluntad de Dios y unir nuestro corazón con el Suyo.

PREPARACIÓN

33 Días hacia un glorioso amanecer. Este libro escrito por el padre Michael Gaitley te guiará durante lecturas de cinco minutos para preparar tu corazón para la consagración al Inmaculado Corazón de María. Basado en los escritos de san Luis de Montfort y está simplificado para que todo el mundo pueda participar.

Verdadera Devoción a la Santísima Virgen y Preparación para la Consagración Total. San Luis María de Montfort es considerado el principal promotor de lo que él denomina “Consagración Total a Jesús a través de María”.

Se trata del enfoque tradicional utilizado por muchos otros desde la muerte del santo. Estas obras incluyen numerosas oraciones, letanías y lecturas necesarias para la preparación de la Consagración Total.

Consecration.com (inglés). Un sitio web elaborado por la Milicia de la Inmaculada, una asociación internacional de fieles erigida por la Santa Sede; es un gran recurso para la consagración total a la María Inmaculada, eje central de la espiritualidad de san Maximiliano Kolbe.

ORACIONES DE CONSAGRACIÓN

Después de haberte preparado junto con tu familia para la consagración. Aquí dispones de algunas oraciones que podrías usar. Opcionalmente, delante de una imagen de María.

Consagración familiar a María siguiendo el espíritu de san Maximiliano Kolbe

Oh Inmaculada, Reina de los Cielos y de la tierra, vida, dulzura y esperanza nuestra, en este día nosotros, la familia (apellidos de la familia), venimos ante ti para consagrarnos como posesión y propiedad tuyas.

Alabamos a Dios por habernos reunido para entregarnos a ti, Madre nuestra, porque confiamos en las palabras de Jesús en la Cruz. “¡He ahí a tu Madre!”.

Te necesitamos, María, Madre de Dios, para ayudarnos a ser una verdadera familia católica.

Sé parte de nuestra vida familiar.

Repítenos las palabras que pronunciaste en Caná: “Haced lo que Él os diga”.

Ayúdanos a ignorar las faltas ajenas, a perdonar como Jesús nos perdonó y a amar al prójimo como Nuestro Señor nos pidió que amáramos.

Por favor, usa a nuestra familia para aplastar la cabeza de la serpiente.

Pide a tu Esposo, san José, Protector de la Iglesia universal,

que nos tenga en corazón y mente junto al Vicario de tu Hijo, el Papa _____.

Hoy te conviertes en Reina de nuestros corazones y nuestro hogar.

Que nuestro hogar sea una “Ciudad de la Inmaculada”,

donde reine el Sagrado Corazón de Jesús para siempre.

Amén.

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