

# ST. JOSEPH ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

OVER A CENTURY OF CATHOLIC PRESENCE

**FEBRUARY 6, 2022**

**JESUS SAID TO SIMON,  
“PUT OUT INTO  
DEEP WATER AND  
LOWER YOUR NETS  
FOR A CATCH.”**

Luke 5:4

*Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

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## MISSION STATEMENT

**“IN SINCERE GRATITUDE AND WITH GRACE IN OUR HEARTS, ST. JOSEPH PARISH  
CALLS GOD OUR ONE FATHER. HIS LIFE IS SHOWN TO US THROUGH JESUS AS  
HIS SON AND OUR SAVIOR. IN THE SPIRIT OF THAT SAME DIVINE LIFE WE  
REMEMBER, PROFESS AND PRACTICE AS A FAMILY OF BELIEVERS SO THAT THE  
GOSPEL MAY BE LIGHT AND LEAVEN TO OUR WORLD.”**

**Rev. Msgr. John B. Gordon - Pastor**  
**Rev. Msgr. Pafnouti Wassef - Parochial Vicar**  
**Rev. Sean G. Winters - In Residence**

**Deacon Ramon Torres - Permanent Deacon**  
**Deacon George Kimball - Permanent Deacon**  
**Ms. Joanne McKnight - Principal**  
**Mrs. Marcelle Doherty - Director of Religious Education/Pastoral Assistant**

## FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

February 6, 2022

### Important Parish Dates 2022

March 2	Ash Wednesday
March 19	St. Joseph Day (Parish Patron)
April 10	Palm Sunday
April 17	Easter Sunday
April 30	First Holy Communion
May 14	Diaconate Ordination-Parishioner Vidal Gonzalez
June 10	Saint Joseph School Graduation
Aug 15	Feast of the Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary
Sept 4	Opening Mass and Sunday Brunch for Centennial Year, St Joseph Parish School
Sept/Oct (TBD)	Confirmation
Sept 18	Opening Mass for PREP (Catechism Classes)
Oct 2	Life Chain for Pro-Life Sunday
Nov 1	All Saints Day
Nov 24	Thanksgiving
Nov 27	First Sunday in Advent
Dec 8	Feast of the Immaculate Conception
Dec 25	Christmas

Dear Parish family,



Greetings during this month which is dedicated to the Catholic Press.

Please consider taking a subscription to our diocesan newspaper, The Catholic Spirit, if you do not at present have one. By reading this award winning publication, prepared every two weeks, we are informed of the many diverse and inspired efforts taking place around the diocese. Also, enjoy articles which are written for our faith life development and our contact with the wider universal mission. Subscription information is found on the website catholicspirit.com and clicking on the 'subscription' tab.

The Carteret 'Specials' have begun their catechism gatherings which will be held every week from 10 a.m. to 11a.m. at St. Joseph School, 865 Roosevelt Avenue, Carteret. If any family member or loved one is in need of special attention with religious education formation due to learning challenges and/or physical limitations, please contact the parish office at 732-541-8946 and we will put you in touch with our coordinator, Danielle DiStefano. Thank you to those who volunteer and give so selflessly on behalf of our 'special' brothers and sisters in Christ.

Please see the schedule for Ash Wednesday and Lenten Enrichment times for the upcoming season of renewal which begins in less than a month.

Thank you for practicing your faith each Sunday at the holy Mass and each day in the love of neighbor.

In the Lord,

Msgr. John B Gordon



I will give thanks to you, O Lord,  
With all my heart,  
For you have heard the words of my mouth.

— Psalm 138:1

### SACRAMENTS

**Baptism** (English): The second Saturday of the month at 1:00 PM.

**Baptism** (Spanish): The first Sunday of the month at 1:30 p.m.

Please arrange for the obligatory preparation session by calling the Parish Office.

**Pastoral Care of the Sick:** The Holy Eucharist and the Anointing of the Sick are available to the sick and shut-ins upon request.

**First Penance, First Eucharist, Confirmation:** Children are expected to receive a Catholic upbringing in their family life, to worship regularly at Sunday Mass, and to receive ongoing Religious Education in the years preceding the reception of these sacraments.

**Matrimony:** To allow ample time for preparation, please contact the Parish Office at least one year before the intended wedding date.

**Holy Orders or Religious Life:** If you are considering serving God as a Priest, Deacon or Religious, you may contact your Parish Priest or Deacon; or phone the Office of Vocations at 732-562-2457 for additional information.

### MASS SCHEDULE

5:00 PM (*Saturday evening Vigil Mass*)

Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:30 AM

1:30 PM - Spanish Mass

Monday to Friday: 8:00 AM; Saturday: 8:30 AM

Thursday: 7:00 PM - Spanish Mass

St. Peregrine Mass for the Sick

Second Thursday of the month - 7:00 PM

**Recitation of Rosary before 8am Daily Mass**

### CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 11:00 AM

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Weekdays: 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

#### Parish

7 Locust Street  
Carteret, NJ 07008

#### School

865 Roosevelt Avenue  
Carteret, NJ 07008

### MAILING ADDRESS

Parish Office	732-541-8946
Parish Office Fax	732-541-0500
Religious Education	732-969-8767
School	732-541-7111
St. Vincent de Paul Society	732-541-8946 x108

### PARISH SERVICES

**Parish Registration:** New parishioners are welcome. Please call the parish office to register. Please inform us if you move.

**R.C.I.A.:** Adults inquiring about the Catholic Church with a desire to become Catholic are invited to call the parish office for information about the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults.

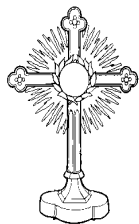
**Parish Organizations:** Adult Choir, Children's Choir, Ministry to the Sick & Elderly, RCIA Team, Food Pantry, Hispanic Ministry, St. Vincent de Paul Society, Home School Association, Athletic Association, and Catechetical Instruction.

**Sponsorship:** To act as a Godparent for Baptism or sponsor for Confirmation, the sponsor must be a baptized Catholic, Confirmed, received Communion, and live a morally good life; if married, done so within church law. Ordinarily the sponsor must be at least 14 years old.

**WEBSITE:** sjps.net

**EMAIL:** stjosephchurch@sjps.net





## **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Thursdays in the Church Chapel

11:30 AM - 12:30 PM

*Restoration, sanctification, transformation, reparation, and salvation are the graces being poured out graciously upon us with each Holy Hour we make. -Excerpt from Letter To A Brother Priest*

**Join us for Eucharistic Adoration.** Prayer and meditation before our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament are great ways to spend some special time with Him. You can ask Him for graces for yourself or for loved ones, reflect on His Word, or just keep Him company!



Join us on our parish trip to The Sight and Sound Theatre on Saturday, April 2, 2022 to experience the Easter presentation of David.

Our bus will leave St. Joseph Church at 9:30 a.m. Tickets for the show and roundtrip transportation are \$125.00 for adults and \$70.00 for children up to 12 years old. The show will start at 3:00 p.m. and there will be an opportunity to purchase lunch at a nearby restaurant before the start of the show.

Please call the parish office at 732-541-8946 to purchase tickets and for additional information.



**Saint Joseph Parish** new Life Care Center is now open. It is located at 55 High Street.

The Life Care Center is a non-profit information center for moms to be. The Life Care Center provides compassionate Pro-Life support to women and men faced with pregnancy decisions. Pregnancy isn't always expected and can often come at a difficult time; that's where our pregnancy centers comes in. With our center you can trust that you'll only receive accurate Pro-Life information, pregnancy and material resources and confidential services, without charge. Our Hours are Monday, Thursday, and Saturday 9a.m. –12p.m.

## **PRAYER TO END ABORTION**

*Lord God, I thank You today for the gift of my life, and for the lives of all my brothers and sisters. I know there is nothing that destroys more life than abortion, yet I rejoice that You have conquered death by the Resurrection of Your Son. I am ready to do my part in ending abortion. Today I commit myself never to be silent, never to be passive, never to be forgetful of the unborn. I commit myself to be active in the pro-life movement, and never to stop defending life until all my brothers and sisters are protected, and our Nation once again becomes a Nation with liberty and justice – not just for some, but for all.*

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## **2022 Bishop's Annual Appeal**

***Celebrating 40 Years—***

***Continuing to Fan the Flame of Faith into Service***

Please watch your mailbox for a letter from Bishop Checchio coming to you this week announcing the 2022 Bishop's Annual Appeal. Our parish can share in a successful Appeal by earning a rebate of 50% of the amount collected over goal.

Through your support of the Bishop's Annual Appeal you help those in our diocese whose needs are the greatest—the poor, the homeless, and those struggling with illness or grief. Among other needed pastoral ministries, your gift also supports the formation of seminarians and enhances the work of the Vicariate for Evangelization and Communication. The many pastoral, educational and charitable ministries of the Diocese of Metuchen would not be possible without a generous contribution from every household. Please be as generous as your means allow.

## **Retrouvaille**

February 25 – 27, 2022

Stress In Your Marriage?

- Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage?
- Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with your spouse?
- Have you thought about separation or divorce?
- Does talking about it only make it worse?

RETROUVAILLE is a Lifeline to Help Couples Heal and Renew their Marriages sponsored by the Office of Family Life, Diocese of Metuchen, NJ.

RETROUVAILLE consists of a weekend experience for married couples (no group discussions) with six follow-up sessions. The upcoming weekend is February 25 - 27, 2022. All inquiries are confidential. For further information, please contact Rich Colasuonno 732-236-0671 or Annette Colasuonno 732-672-0748 or email [3024@helpourmarriage.org](mailto:3024@helpourmarriage.org).

## **Family of Families sharing photos**

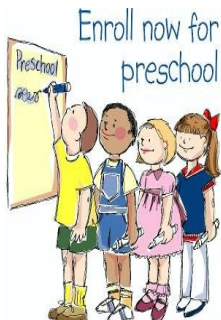
As we celebrate the Year “Amoris Laetitia Family,” the diocesan Office of Communications and Public Relations is compiling a digital family photo album. We invite you to share a photo of your family – a photo of your domestic church by which our local Church of Metuchen is constantly enriched. Please consider sharing your family's photo with us by sending your photo to [communications@diometuchen.org](mailto:communications@diometuchen.org), so we can together bear witness to the love of God through our “family of families.”

## **Free Pocket Rosaries for Law Enforcement**

Pocket rosaries made by The Blue Rosary Guild are available for law enforcement officers and their families who desire them. Rosaries have been sent to individuals and to departments. Please contact [cdaverso@diometuchen.org](mailto:cdaverso@diometuchen.org) to make a request.

## ST JOSEPH SCHOOL

Personal Tours Are Available  
Please Call for an appointment  
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### Saint Joseph Pre-School

2022-2023 Registration now open  
For 3 & 4 Year Old Program  
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For more information or to register,  
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## SAINT JOSEPH SCHOOL

### REGISTRATION

2022- 2023



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### Catholic School 2022-2023 Tuition Assistance

Online Application Process is now Open. Families interested in applying for tuition assistance to attend an eligible Diocese of Metuchen elementary or high school may apply online now through FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment at <https://online.factsmgt.com/aid>. Online applications must be completed (including all required documentation) by no later than March 31, 2022. Applications are available in English and Spanish.

Families that need assistance completing the online application or need access to a computer to apply should contact their school.

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February 11

Our Lady of Lourdes

The Blessed Mother appeared to 14-year old, Bernadette Soubirous in Lourdes, France in 1858. Countless healings have been attributed to the miraculous water that flows from the apparition site.

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# God's Word for Children

## Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

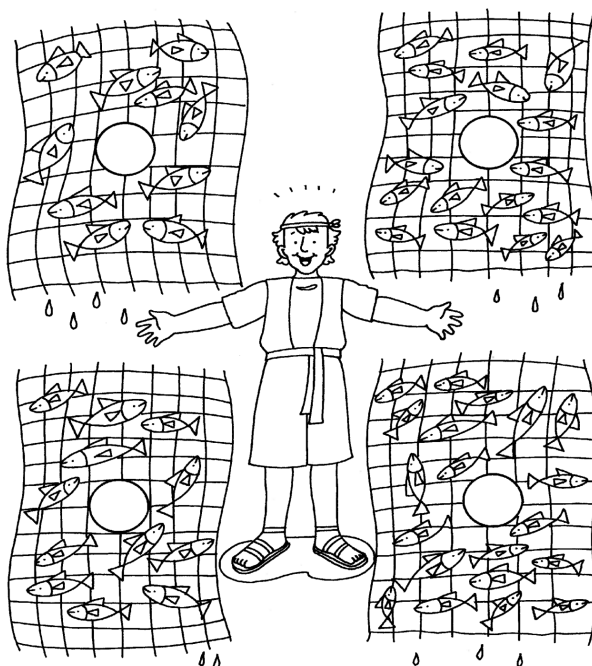
What did Jesus tell Simon, James, and John they would be doing as his followers?  
Write the letter that appears on each fish in the blank that matches its number.  
You can read the story in your Bible at Luke 5:1-11.

7 1 5 9 1 4 6

3 8 4

7 10 2

After Simon did what Jesus said,  
he caught lots of fish!  
Count the fish in each net  
and write the number inside the circle.



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## MASS INTENTIONS



### SATURDAY February 5<sup>th</sup>

*Saint Agatha, Virgin and Martyr*

5:00p.m. + Amelia Gervino

### SUNDAY February 6<sup>th</sup>

#### FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 AM + People of the Parish

10:30 AM + Felina Holgado

1:30 PM + Jeriel Melendez

### MONDAY February 7<sup>th</sup>

*Weekday*

8:00 AM + Oliver Murcia

### TUESDAY February 8<sup>th</sup>

*Saint Jerome Emiliani and Saint Josephine Bakhita, Virgin*

8:00 AM + Dominick Servello

### WEDNESDAY February 9<sup>th</sup>

*Weekday*

8:00 AM + For all the souls in Purgatory

### THURSDAY February 10<sup>th</sup>

*Saint Scholastica, Virgin*

8:00 AM + All the Unborn

11:30 AM Adoration

7:00 PM St. Peregrine Mass

For the health of Edmundo Ordonez

### FRIDAY February 11<sup>th</sup>

*Our Lady of Lourdes*

8:00 AM + For All the Sick

### SATURDAY February 12<sup>th</sup>

*Weekday*

8:30 AM + Mr. & Mrs. Onofrio Alongi

5:00 PM + Cynthia Orlick

### SUNDAY February 13<sup>th</sup>

#### SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 AM Communion Service

10:30 AM + Ralph & Maryann Giachetti

1:30 PM + Javier Rosa

**\*\*Recitation of Rosary before 8am Daily Mass\*\***

### PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

*If you have requested a Mass to be celebrated for your intention and would like to present the gifts that will become the Body and Blood of Christ at that Mass, please be sure to inform one of the ushers before Mass; otherwise, they will ask someone from the congregation to present the gifts. Thank you.*

### SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday:	1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday:	1 Kgs 10:1-10; Mk 7:14-23
Thursday:	1 Kgs 11:4-13; Mk 7:24-30
Friday:	1 Kgs 11:29-32, 12:19; Mk 7:31-37
Saturday:	1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Mk 8:1-10
Sunday:	Jer 17:5-8; 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20; Lk 6:17, 20-26

### INTENTIONS ~ February 6 - February 12

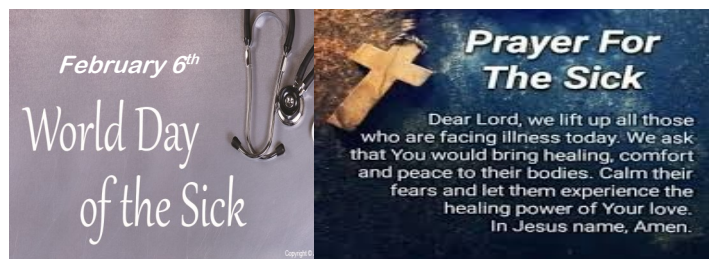
The St. Joseph Church Sanctuary Lamp burns in loving memory of *George R Irwin* requested by his loving family.

### PERPETUAL MASS GUILD (New Enrolled)

Alice Powell, Charles Gallo, Leonidas Ezperanza Ramirez, Kevin Setar, Norma Ippolito, Rev. Msgr. Edward Puleo

**"For everything there is a season and a time for every purpose under Heaven..."**

**a time to heal...** for those in our Parish who are ill and especially for Alice Benson, Anthony LaMotta, Angelina Virola, Betty Ann Feeney, Constance Sewing, Genevieve Elko, Helen Lurker, Joey Conti Sr., Josie Gibbs, Kirsten Kisselman, Mary Warren, Ray Sewing, Raymond Sewing, Rev. Msgr. Edward C. Puleo, Robert Sulo and Theresa Tumolo.



### Lent Holy Hour Series

(During March and April for 5 weeks, 4pm each Sunday a Visiting Deacon/Priest will offer Ves per prayers and a reflection on weekly topic while blessed sacrament is exposed.)

Date	Theme	Visitor
March 6	Charity	Deacon Michael Abriola (St. Lawrence, Lawrence Harbor)
March 13	Conversion	Rev. Jay Alquiros (St. Francis Cathedral, Metuchen)
March 20	Vocation	Msgr. John B. Gordon (St. Joseph Parish)
March 27	Prayer	Deacon George Kimbal (St. Joseph Parish)
April 3	Holy week	Rev. Edmund Shallow (Divine Mercy Parish, Carteret)

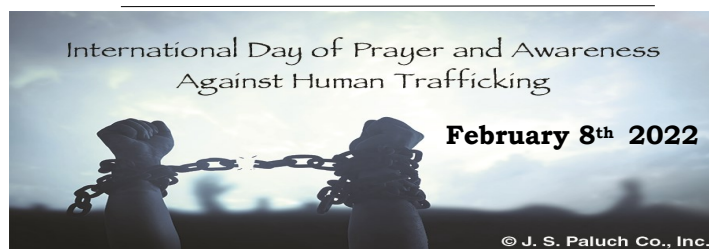
### SACRIFICIAL GIVING

#### OFFERTORY COLLECTION

**January 30, 2022 Parish \$ 3562.50**

God wishes to test you like gold in the furnace. The dross is consumed by the fire, but the pure gold remains and its value increases.

—St. Jerome Emiliani



### Prayer to end Trafficking

Loving Father,  
We seek your divine protection for all who are exploited and enslaved. For those forced into labor, trafficked into sexual slavery, and denied freedom. We beseech you to release them from their chains. Grant them protection, safety, and empowerment. Restore their dignity and provide them a new beginning.  
Show us how we might end exploitation by addressing its causes. Help us reach out in support of victims and survivors of human trafficking. Make us instruments of your spirit for their liberation. For this we pray through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

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