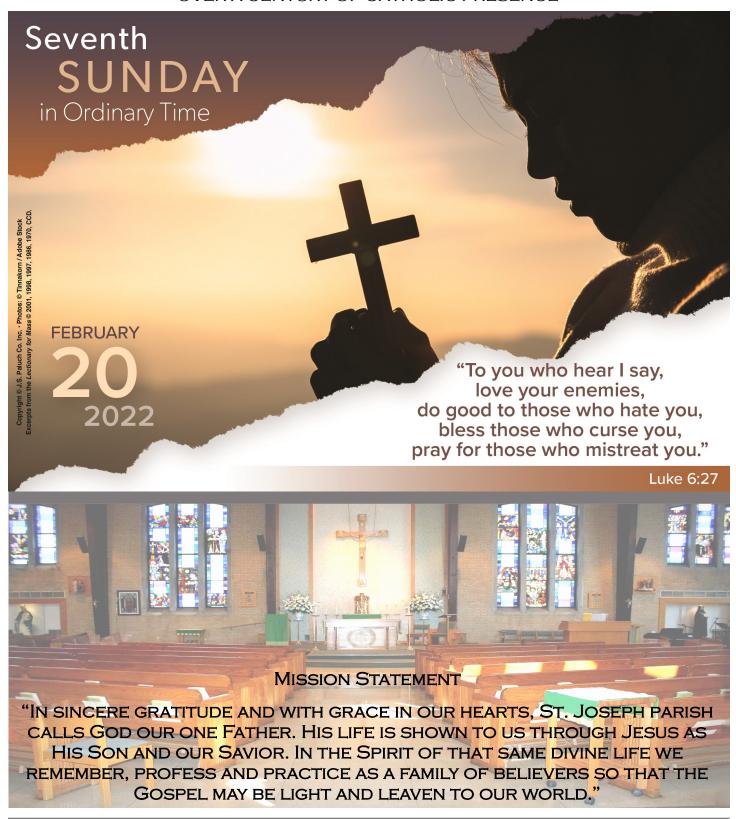
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Mrs. Marcelle Doherty - Director of Religious Education/Pastoral Assistant

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME February 20, 2022

Ash Wednesday Schedule



March 2, 2022

8:00 AM Mass with Ashes
12:00 PM Liturgy of the Word with Ashes
3:00 PM Liturgy of the Word with Ashes
7:00 PM Mass with Ashes

Lent Stations of the Cross

Each Friday 11:30 Recitation of the Stations of the Cross will take place in the Church for all your intentions during the Holy Season of Renewal. Also copies of the way of the cross are available for personal prayer at home.

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.)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Theme</u>	<u>Visitor</u>
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)

CONFESSIONS

Saturday mornings in the Church
11:00 AM. to 12:00 PM
During Lent, confessions will be available on Saturday
from 4:00PM until 4:45PM



Merciful and gracious is the LORD, slow to anger and abounding in kindness.

— Psalm 103:8

Dear Parish Family,

Greetings and blessings to you!

Our season of renewal in Lent quickly approaches. Please refer to the published reminder of Holy Hour reflections and weekly Way of the Cross in this week's bulletin.

If you would like to return your used palm branches, please do so by next Sunday, February 27. They will be placed in a small fire after the last Mass to reduce them to ashes for the following Wednesday (Ash Wednesday).

The Little Black Book of daily reflections is available for those who enjoy the readings during Lent. Please find copies in the Narthex.

Thank you again for your generosity during these weeks of our Annual Bishop's Appeal. Next week we will have an in-pew Sunday when a short video message on the many works of faith and mission in our diocese will be shown.

In the Lord,

Msgr. John



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

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 732-541-0500

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 732-969-8767

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 732-541-7111

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 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

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EUCHARISTIC 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 'Feast Day Raffle'

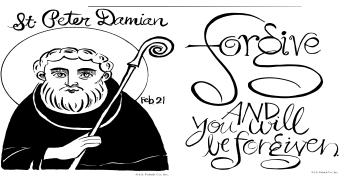
Our Parish 50/50 Drawing is scheduled for March 19, 2022 Tickets go on sale the weekend of February 26 and 27

Please anticipate this annual fundraiser as we celebrate our parish patron and support our growing faith community. Each ticket is \$20.00, 5 ticket are prepared in an envelope for each household to receive and return. Thank you for your continued support, and God Bless you!

Parísh Fellowshíp



February 26 & 27 we will be having fellowship after all Masses. Please remember to bring in baked goods to share with the parish community.



Updates from



Synod 2023: Cathedral Deanery Listening Session

Session Information:

Tuesday, February 22, 2022; 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Location:

The Cathedral of Saint Francis of Assisi

32 Elm Ave, Metuchen NJ 08840

To register to the listening session please visit https://diometuchen.org/listening-session-registration

To learn more about the Synod process visit www.diometuchen.org/synod2023

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

Our diocese has been blessed in recent years with an increased number of vocations and, thanks be to God, we presently have 21 seminarians studying for the priesthood. A large portion of our seminarians' education is being funded by the Bishop's Annual Appeal, for which they are extremely grateful. Your gift also supports a wide array of diocesan programs that foster vocations and provide on going formation for those called to both ordained and lay leadership roles within the Church. Your generosity also ensures that our retired priests who have served so faithfully receive the care they deserve in their later years. Please be as generous as your mean 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.

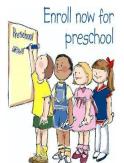
RETROUVAILLE consists of a weekend experience for married couples (no group discussions) with six follow-up sessions. The upcoming weekend is February 25 - 27, 2022. All inquiries are

confidential. For further information, please contact Rich Colasuonno 732-236-0671 or Annette Colasuonno 732-672-0748 or email 3024@helpourmarriage.org.

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Registration Packets are also available online.

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.

Congratulations to the St Joseph School Calendar Raffle Winner!



1st Prize \$400.00 Ticket # 966 2nd Prize \$400.00 Ticket # 576

3rd Prize \$400.00 Ticket # 957

4th Prize \$400.00 Ticket # 777

5th Prize \$400.00 Ticket # 014

We at Saint Joseph School are very appreciative of your support of our annual Calendar Raffle fundraiser. Thank you for your generosity which makes our school mission and quality education possible.



THE CHAIR OF PETER

February 22 we celebrate a feast with an unusual name, The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle.

But we are not really celebrating a piece of furniture; we are honoring what the chair symbolizes. The chair itself does have a history. St. Peter is often considered the first Bishop of Rome. Today the pope is regarded as the Bishop of Rome. The physical Chair of Peter is in the basilica of St. Peter in Rome. Some of the wood in the chair is believed to be preserved from the time when Peter himself sat in it. You can see a picture of this chair, now beautifully decorated, on the Internet.

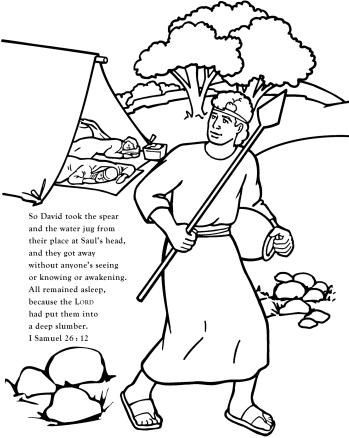
The significance of this feast is not the chair itself but what it symbolizes. A person who holds a position of authority and leadership in an organization is often referred to as its chair. The person who sits in the leadership chair holds great responsibility. In Matthew's Gospel (16:13–19) we read that Jesus told Peter that he would build his church upon Peter and give him the "keys to the kingdom of heaven." Every pope since Peter has had the responsibility to continue to lead the Church in the footsteps of Christ. The pope is to care for all people, following the example of Jesus the Good Shepherd (see 1 Peter 5:1–4).

Every bishop has a chair from which he preaches and presides. The Latin word for this chair is *cathedra*, from which we derive the English "cathedral," the home church of the bishop of each diocese. Do you know the name of your bishop, archbishop, or cardinal, and the name of your cathedral?

If your cathedral is nearby you might want to visit it and see its cathedra. Say a prayer for your bishop, who tries every day to do the work given to him by Jesus. If you can't visit the cathedral try to find a picture of it on its website.

In your own parish, notice the presider's chair where the priest sits during the liturgy. Compare it to the picture of the bishop's chair at your cathedral.





MASS INTENTIONS



SATURDAY February 19th

Weekday

Perpetual Mass Guild 5:00p.m.

SUNDAY February 20th SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 AM + John LaConte

10:30 AM + People of the Parish

1:30 PM + Ignacia Delgado and Ronald Strangio

MONDAY February 21st

Saint Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

+ Scott Ober 8:00 AM

TUESDAY February 22nd

The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle

8:00 AM + Kimberly Mix

WEDNESDAY February 23rd

Saint Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr

8:00 AM + Ralph Chirico

THURSDAY February 24th

Weekday

8:00 AM + Janice Finn 11:30 AM Adoration

+ Angelita Abreu 7:00 PM

FRIDAY February 25th

Weekday

+ All the Unborn Children 8:00 AM

SATURDAY February 26th

Weekday

8:30 AM + All Souls in Purgatory 5:00 PM

+ Noreen Kammerer

SUNDAY February 27th EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 AM + Mickey Irrapino

10:30 AM + People of the Parish

1:30 PM + Mario Jose Urrutia

+ 10th Anniversary of death for Dora Christina Vega Cuella

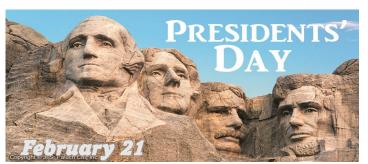
Recitation of Rosary before 8am Daily Mass

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.

INTENTIONS ~ February 20 – February 26

The <u>Pieta Lamp</u> burns in loving memory of *Rose Kasha* requested by Mary Ann Boone..



"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.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Jas 3:13-18; Mk 9:14-29 Monday: Tuesday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Mt 16:13-19 Wednesday: Jas 4:13-17; Mk 9:38-40 Thursday: Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:41-50 Friday: Jas 5:9-12; Mk 10:1-12 Saturday: Jas 5:13-20; Mk 10:13-16

Sunday: Sir 27:4-7; 1 Cor 15:54-58; Lk 6:39-45

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Grant, we pray, almighty God,

that, always pondering spiritual things, we may carry out in both word and deed that which is pleasing to you.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Reflection question:

What can I do this week that is pleasing to God?

The Pope's Monthly Intentions or February 2022

We join the Holy Father in praying for:

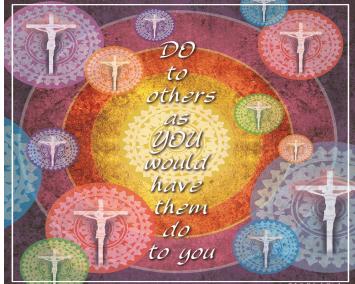
Religious Sisters and Consecrated Women

We pray for religious sisters and consecrated women; thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.

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-Luke 6:27-38







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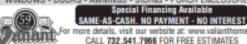
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