

# ST. JOSEPH ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

OVER A CENTURY OF CATHOLIC PRESENCE

APRIL  
**24**  
2022

"Have you come to believe  
because you have seen me?  
Blessed are those who have  
not seen and have believed."

John 20:29

SECOND SUNDAY  
OF *Easter*  
(OR SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY)

Copyright © J.S. Paluch Co. Inc. • Photos: © New Africa / AdobeStock  
Excerpts from the *Lectionary for Mass* © 2001, 1998, 1997, 1986, 1970, CCD.



## 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

## SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY

April 24, 2022



April 30th

Amanda Akudinobi      Munachiso Akudinobi  
Yadier Chacon      Kirsten Conde  
Angel Cruz      Karim Francois  
Olivia Horan      Somely Manzueta  
Ameerah Martin      Johan Munoz  
Chidiebere Obasi      Amira Romero  
Dante Rosales      Dominick Saporito  
Adriana Tores Vega



To him all the prophets bear witness,  
that everyone who believes in him  
will receive forgiveness of sins  
through his name.

— Acts 10:43

Dear Parish Family,



Greetings on this Divine Mercy Sunday!

We recite the Chaplet of Divine Mercy today before each Mass and ask the special intention of peace through God's infinite mercy.

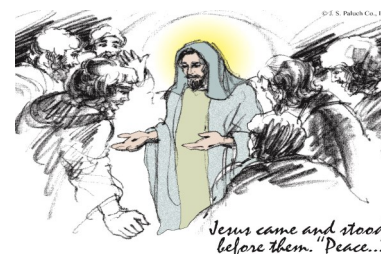
Please remember our children who are receiving their First Holy Communion and their families, who will be preparing for the most memorable day of the sacrament next Saturday, April 30 at a 2 p.m. Mass. The children are invited to return in their First Communion outfits on Sunday, May 1 for our May Crowning tradition at the 10:30 a.m. Mass.

Mother's Day intentions will be located on the altar beginning on the weekend of May 6/7 until the end of the month. Please place your special envelope with names of mothers and loved ones in the offertory basket during these next two weekends.

We thank our catechists who are completing their sessions this week with our religious education students. Their volunteerism and dedication have touched the hearts, minds and spirits of the children and shared the great gift of faith in learning.

God bless you all,

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  
12:30 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 3:00 PM

Parish	School
7 Locust Street	865 Roosevelt Avenue
Carteret, NJ 07008	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.

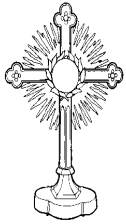
### WEBSITE:

[sjps.net](http://sjps.net)

### EMAIL:

[stjosephparishcarteret@sjps.net](mailto:stjosephparishcarteret@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!

### Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

Effective this upcoming Easter season, the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord will be permanently transferred from Thursday of the Sixth Week of Easter to the following Sunday, the Seventh Sunday of Easter, in all Catholic dioceses in New Jersey. This year, the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord will be observed on Sunday, May 29. This liturgical observance is an integral dimension of the completion of Our Lord's paschal mystery and after much discussion, the Catholic Bishops of New Jersey collectively discerned that the transferring the observance to the following Sunday would allow for greater participation among the faithful.

### Bingo Night Fundraiser, Tricky Tray and Raffle



at Saint Joseph School Gymnasium

In support of St Joseph Catholic School

April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**Tickets on sale Now, \$10.00 per ticket**

Call the Parish office at 732 541 8946 for tickets

Must be 18 or over

**Bingo Games begin at 7:00 pm**

Bingo ticket Includes 1 of 30 bingo games

**Tricky Tray ticket sales begin at 6:00pm**

(doors open at 5:00pm)

All proceeds will be to support

St Joseph Catholic School

For more information please call

(732) 541 - 8946 or (732) 541 - 7111



From April to August 2022, the relics of Saint Bernadette will tour the United States for the first time, bringing the grace of Lourdes to parishes across the country. The Sanctuary of Our Lady of Lourdes is organizing the pilgrimage of the relics in partnership with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, North American Volunteers, Hospitalité of Miami and the Order of Malta.

The Relics of Saint Bernadette will visit the Diocese of Metuchen, the only diocesan stop in New Jersey, from May 17-20, 2022.

- May 17th at **Our Lady of Lourdes**, 233 North Main Street Milltown, NJ 08850 Phone (732) 828-0011
- May 19th to May 20th at **St. Francis of Assisi Cathedral** 32 Elm Ave, Metuchen, NJ 08840 Phone (732) 548-0100



St. Joseph Church  
Parish Religious Education Program

We are almost at the end of the 2021-2022 religious education program year. Thankfully, we were able to return to in-person classes and our students and catechists were happy to see each other.

On April 30, our PREP and school students will receive the sacrament of 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion on Saturday, April 30 at a 2:00 p.m. Mass. We look forward to seeing them after a s they attend weekly Saturday or Sunday Masses and especially at the Crowning of Our Lady at the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup>.

Our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students continue to prepare to receive the sacrament of Confirmation this fall. They have chosen their Saint name, completed their volunteer hours and are preparing for the upcoming Confirmation interviews. Please keep them, our First Communion students and their parents in your prayers.

Registration for the 2022-2023 Parish Religious Education Program year is open. This year, we are excited that we are able to accept payments by credit and debit cards. Re-registration Forms have been sent home with students and are also available at the PREP and Parish Offices, on the counter in the narthex and online.

The St. Joseph Parish Religious Education Program welcomes children in grades 1 through 8 who wish to receive the sacraments of 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion and Confirmation. As parents are the first teachers of the faith, we rely on them to enhance what is taught in their child's weekly religious education class.

For additional information on PREP please call 732-969-8767 or email [mndoherty@sjps.net](mailto:mndoherty@sjps.net). We look forward to welcoming you and your family!

### Updates from



DIOCESE OF  
METUCHEN

Diocese of Metuchen Pilgrimage

**Save the date: September 24, 2022**

In celebration of the 40th Anniversary of the Diocese of Metuchen, hundreds of people from the four counties of the Diocese - Middlesex, Somerset, Hunterdon and Warren - will journey to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, all are invited to participate in their pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Most Rev. James F. Checchio, Bishop of Metuchen, will be the principal celebrant of the Pilgrimage Mass. D.C. More information and registration will be forthcoming. For more information Visit us at : <https://diometuchen.org/events/diocesan-pilgrimage-to-the-basilica-of-the-national-shrine-of-the-immaculate-conception>

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."



# ST JOSEPH SCHOOL

Personal Tours Are Available  
Please Call for an appointment

(732) 541-7111 or visit us at

[saintjosephschoolcarteret.net](http://saintjosephschoolcarteret.net)

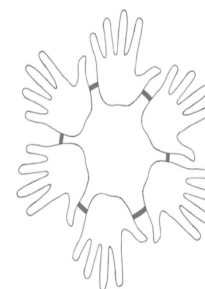
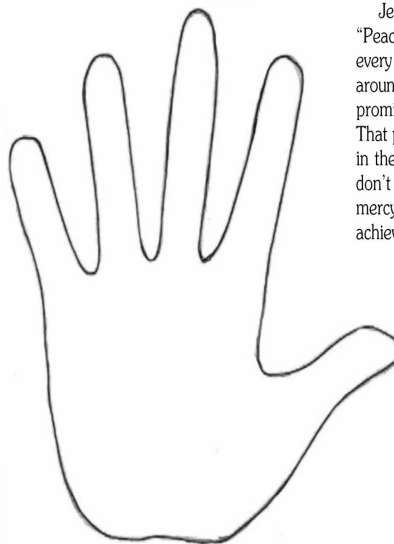


## SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY

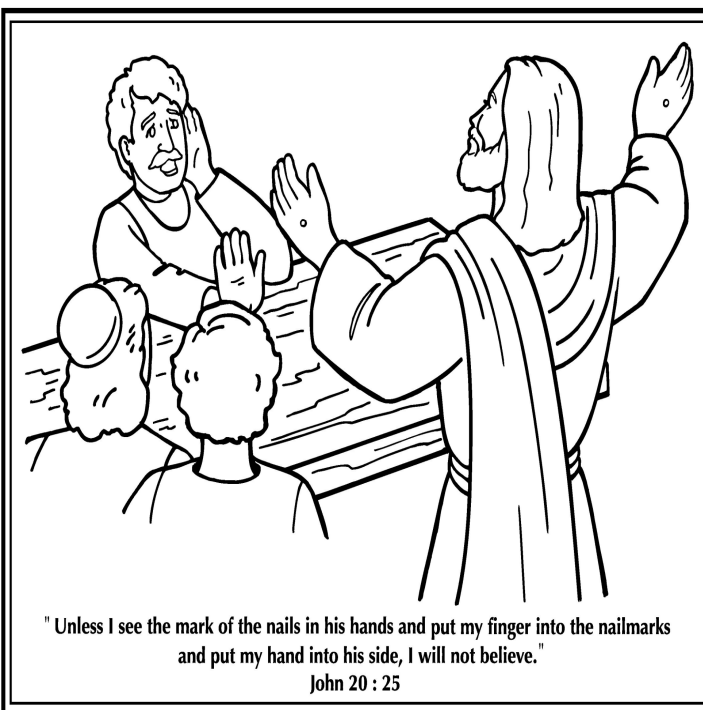
Today is the Second Sunday of Easter, not after Easter. We continue to celebrate this great feast for fifty days. The last day of the Easter season will be the feast of Pentecost, June 9. You will probably be starting your summer vacation then.

Today is also known as Sunday of Divine Mercy. Divine Mercy Sunday was first celebrated in the year 2000, when Pope John Paul II announced the feast at the Mass declaring Sister Faustina Kowalska a saint. Her feast day is October 5. You might want to find out more about this holy woman and her connection to the devotion to the Divine Mercy by researching her life story. She shared with us what Jesus revealed to her in visions: that everyone who trusts in God shares in God's loving mercy. No one is excluded. On this day you can pray Sister Faustina's prayer: "Jesus, I trust in you."

Jesus' first words in today's Gospel are "Peace be with you." We say these words at every Mass. We reach out our hands to those around us. We repeat the words of Jesus and promise to make peace a reality in our lives. That peace must then be shared with everyone in the world, even to those we don't know or don't like and who don't like us. This requires mercy. This peace of Jesus is not easy to achieve, but he promises to be with us and help.

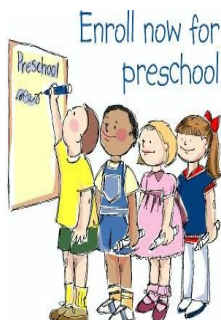


Look at the hand on this page or trace your own hand on another piece of paper. Inside each finger, write one way you can bring peace and forgiveness to others. In the palm of your hand write the names of some of the people you know who need peace and mercy. Ask the people in your family to do the same. Cut out the hands and put them together to form a wreath. Remember to include those who might not be so easy to love and forgive.



"Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nailmarks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

John 20 : 25



### Saint Joseph Pre-School

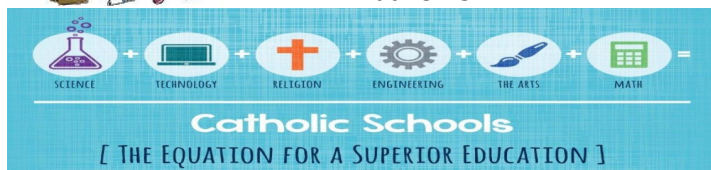
2022-2023 Registration now open

For 3 & 4 Year Old Program

Full and Half -Day sessions are available

Where Faith, Learning, and Fun go  
hand in hand!

For more information or to register,  
Please call the School Office  
at 732-541-7111.



**SAINT JOSEPH SCHOOL**  
**REGISTRATION**  
**2022- 2023**



Catholic Schools are known for their commitment to high academic standards. The curriculum aims to educate and develop all aspects of each student.

SAINT JOSEPH SCHOOL offers an exceptional values-based education. Visit [www.sjps.net](http://www.sjps.net) and take a Virtual Tour of our School to see all the exciting things we have to offer your student. For more information or to register, please call the School Office at 732-541-7111.

Registration Packets are also available online.

The Diocese of Metuchen's Office of Vocations invites  
young men ages 14-17 to attend a discernment retreat

**QUO VADIS**  
WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

**Quo Vadis 2022**

**July 19-22, 2022**

**Gather with other young men, ages 14-17, for  
Quo Vadis Days 2022!**

Quo Vadis – a Latin phrase which translates to "Where are you going?" – is an opportunity for young men between the ages of 14 – 17 to hear from priests and seminarians of the Diocese of Metuchen and to engage in fellowship as they discern their own vocational calling in life. You are invited to spend three days in person with other young men who also feel they may be called to the priesthood.

Questions? Email [QUOVADIS@DIOMETUCHEN.ORG](mailto:QUOVADIS@DIOMETUCHEN.ORG)

Register to attend at:

<https://www.diometuchen.org/quo-vadis-registration>



## MASS INTENTIONS



### SATURDAY April 23<sup>rd</sup>

*Saturday within the Octave of Easter*

8:00p.m. + Antoinette Parisi

### SUNDAY April 24<sup>th</sup>

**SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY**

8:00 AM + Reyorden Maulit

10:30 AM + People of the Parish

12:30 PM + Angel Luis Mendez

### MONDAY April 25<sup>th</sup>

*Saint Mark, Evangelist*

8:00 AM + Daniel Pagon

### TUESDAY April 26<sup>th</sup>

*Easter Weekday*

8:00 AM + Walter & Isabelle Gasior

### WEDNESDAY April 27<sup>th</sup>

*Easter Weekday*

8:00 AM + Maria Calabria

### THURSDAY April 28<sup>th</sup>

*St Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr; St Louis Grignon de Montfort, Priest*

8:00 AM + Angel Luis Mendez

11:30 AM Adoration

7:00 PM + Castillo Family

### FRIDAY April 29<sup>th</sup>

*Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church*

8:00 AM + Angel Luis Mendez

### SATURDAY April 30<sup>th</sup>

*Saint Pius V, Pope*

8:30 AM + Mary & Fred Lakatos

5:00 PM + Mike Gervino

### SUNDAY May 1<sup>st</sup>

**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

8:00 AM + Mr. & Mrs. Victor Servello

10:30 AM + People of the Parish

12:30 PM + Juan Vergara

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

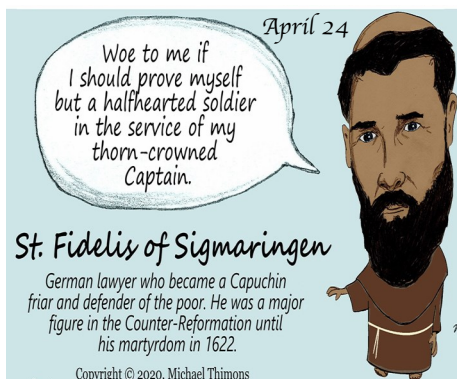
### PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

*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 ~April 24 – April 30

The **St. Joseph Church Sanctuary Lamp** burns in loving memory of *Stanley Gilbert requested by Daughter Christine and Grandchildren.*

The **Pieta Lamp** burns in loving memory of *Mary C. Fox, requested by Grandchildren Bob and Tara.*



**"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, Barbara Alongi, Constance Sewing, Genevieve Elko, Helen Lurker, 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

Monday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Mk 16:15-20

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37; Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26; Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33; Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42; Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7; Jn 6:16-21

Sunday: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Rv 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19

### SACRIFICIAL GIVING

#### OFFERTORY COLLECTION

April 10, 2022 Parish \$ 7640.50

April 17, 2022 Parish \$ TBD

This is the day the Lord has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad.

—Psalm 118



### PRAYER OF THE WEEK

**Second Sunday of Easter (or Sunday of Divine Mercy)**

God of everlasting mercy,  
who in the very recurrence of the paschal feast  
kindle the faith of the people you have made your own,  
increase, we pray, the grace you have bestowed,  
that all may grasp and rightly understand  
in what font they have been washed,  
by whose Spirit they have been reborn,  
by whose Blood they have been redeemed.  
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.

#### Reflection question:

How can I come to grasp more fully the meaning of my baptism?



**GUTTER DOCTOR**  
**GUTTER CLEANING**  
**215-322-7400**

**lifestyles** Superior Health  
 Requires Superior  
 Nutritional Products!  
 Call/Text Susan  
 848-308-0708  
 www.mylifestyle.com/sansu

Catholic Cruises and Tours and The Apostleship  
 of the Sea of the United States of America  
 Take your FAITH ON A JOURNEY.  
 Call us today at 866-399-1785 or email  
 eileen@CatholicCruisesandTours.com  
 www.CatholicCruisesandTours.com

**ONE PARISH**  
 Grow in your faith,  
 find a Mass, and  
 connect with your  
 Catholic Community  
 with OneParish!  
 Download Our Free App or Visit  
 https://www.oneparish.com

**If You Live Alone You Need MDMedAlert!**

24 Hour Protection at HOME and AWAY!  
 ✓ Ambulance Solutions as Low as \$19.95 a month  
 ✓ Police ✓ Fire  
 ✓ Friends/Family FREE Shipping  
 FREE Activation NO Long Term Contracts  
 CALL NOW! 800.809.3352  
 GPS Tracking w/Fall Detection  
 Nationwide, No Land Line Needed  
 EASY Set-up, NO Contract  
 24/7 365 Monitoring in the USA

**DO YOU HAVE SALES EXPERIENCE? ARE YOU WELL NETWORKED IN THE LOCAL COMMUNITY?**  
**J.S. PALUCH COMPANY**  
 NATIONAL PUBLISHER OF CHURCH BULLETINS  
 • Full Time Positions Available with Excellent Earning Potential!  
 • Medical Benefits, 401K, Life & AD&D Insurance Available  
 • Excellent Commission Compensation Program  
 Interested? Call Kay Leane 1.800.821.5197 x2823  
 or Email Resume to RECRUITING@JSPALUCH.COM  
 www.jspaluch.com

**Grow Your Business, Advertise Here.**  
 Support Your Church & Bulletin.  
 Free professional ad design & my help!  
 email: sales@jspaluch.com  
**For Information ... Call**  
**800.524.0263**

**FINDaPARISH.com**  
**The Most Complete Online National Directory of Catholic Parishes**  
**CHECK IT OUT TODAY!**

Please Cut Out This "Thank You Ad" and Present It The Next Time You Patronize One of Our Advertisers  
**Thank You**  
 Thank you for advertising in our church bulletin.  
 I am patronizing your business because of it!

**SYNOWIECKI FUNERAL HOME, INC.**  
 56 Carteret Ave. • Carteret • 732-541-5715  
 Lori Samuelson, Mgr. NJ Lic # 4102 Joseph Samuelson, Dir. NJ Lic # 4045

**INVEST LOCALLY**  
 Targeting local business makes good "Cents" -  
 Get your name out there by advertising in local parish bulletins. Contact us today for your next advertising move and we will work with you for your next "AD THAT WORKS!"  
 Check us out at www.jspaluch.com

**Michael A. Gilligan, CPA**  
 Income Tax Prepared  
 Pension Distribution/Rollover  
 Financial Questions Answered  
 150 Rosewood Lane, Ft. Reading  
**732-541-9692**

**Morgan**  
**basement waterproofing**  
 In Our 4th Decade of Quality Service  
 • French Drains • Foundation Repair  
 • Mold Remediation  
 All Work Guaranteed  
**877-401-4777**  
 morganbasementwaterproofing.com

Consider Remembering Your Parish in Your Will.  
 For further information, please call the Parish Office.

**Protecting Seniors Nationwide**  
**Medical Alert System**  
**\$29.95/Mo. billed quarterly**  
 • One Free Month  
 • No Long-Term Contract  
 • Price Guarantee  
 • Easy Self Installation  
 Call Today! Toll Free 1.877.801.8608

**Get this weekly bulletin delivered by email - for FREE!**  
 Sign up here:  
 www.jspaluch.com/subscribe  
 Courtesy of J.S. Paluch Company, Inc.

**A Commitment to Craftsmanship and Integrity**  
 WINDOWS • DOORS • AWNINGS • SIDING • PORCH ENCLOSURES  
 Special Financing Available  
**SAME-AS-CASH. NO PAYMENT - NO INTEREST**  
 For more details, visit our website at: www.valanhome.com  
 CALL 732.541.7966 FOR FREE ESTIMATES  
 Lic. #13N00345100 578 Roosevelt Ave. • Carteret, NJ

**MIKE GISZAK**  
**PLUMBING & HEATING**  
 WATER HEATERS & BOILERS  
 "NO JOB TOO SMALL"  
 BONDED-INSURED LIC#10218  
**FREE ESTIMATE 732-541-0978**  
 www.jspaluch.com