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2024 MASS SCHEDULE Sat Vigil: 5:30 pm • Sun: 7:30, 10:30 am & 5:00 pm
DAILY MASS Mon-Fri: 7 am; Sat: 8 am • **HOLY DAYS** As Announced

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We, the people of God of Saint Joseph Roman Catholic community, Empowered by the Holy Spirit, must manifest to the city of Kingston, New York, and to the world, a clear vision of God's plan for His kingdom as we strive to grow in relationship with Jesus Christ, one another, and the Universal Church.

We endeavor to be a welcoming parish, and are dedicated to creating an environment of faith through Sacred Scripture, Sacred Tradition, Sacred Liturgy and by the reception of the Holy Sacraments, study, stewardship, and action, so that in union with our Triune Godhead, we may build up the Kingdom of God. Sharing these ministries, as the Mystical Body of Christ, we as the People of God at St. Joseph Parish challenge ourselves to witness to the truth of His Church in Word and Deed to one and all.

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

8:30 am - 3:30 pm Mon-Fri or
call to make an appointment
with a Priest or Deacon

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 8:30-9:30 am

EXPOSITION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT & MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

Adoration, Miraculous Medal
Novena, Rosary: Mondays
morning after the 7 am Mass in
the church.
Miraculous Medal Novena,
Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet:
Mondays at 2 pm in the church

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Chapel
469 Delaware Avenue
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Seven days a week, 24 hrs a day

BAPTISM

Call the Rectory to arrange to
have your child Baptized.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Call the Parish Office for Home
or Hospital Visitation as well as
for Reconciliation and the
Reception of Holy Communion.

WEDDINGS

Contact the Parish Office at least
six months before the date of
your wedding.

ROSARY FOR LIFE

After the 7:00 am weekday Mass
in the Church

PARISH BULLETIN SUBMISSION

At least 7 days before the
publication date requested.
Send to: sjrc242@gmail.com or
drop off your announcement at
the Parish Office.



5:30 p.m. **Jack DiMuccio**[†] by Ginny DiMuccio

Sunday, January 12: Baptism of the Lord

7:30 a.m. **Renee Hurley (L) & Lauren Edleman (L)**
by C. Johnson

10:30 a.m. **Renato DiBella**[†] by City Of Kingston
St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee

5:00 p.m. **Elizabeth Engel**[†] by Berenice Keller

Monday, January 13: St. Hilary

7:00 a.m. **Mary Ellen Fuoco**[†] by Anna & Ken Brett

Tuesday, January 14

7:00 a.m. **Living & Deceased Parishioners**

Wednesday, January 15

7:00 a.m. **Catherine A. Kaman**[†] by Estate of Carol-Lee
Wojciehowski

Thursday, January 16

7:00 a.m. **Fred Rion**[†] by Arlene Rion

Friday, January 17: St. Anthony, Abbot

7:00 a.m. **Marie, Andres & Rosaura Rodriguez & All**
Poor Souls in Purgatory[†] by Margarita Davin

Saturday, January 18

8:00 a.m. **Nina Postupack**[†] by Mary & Bob Netter

5:30 p.m. **Louis Laford**[†] by Barbara Withall

Sunday, January 19: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. **Theodore & Regina Dietz**[†] by
Elizabeth Wiands

10:30 a.m. **Renato DiBella**[†] by Barbara Sasso & Family

5:00 p.m. **Jose Ramos Cabangon**[†] by Mercedes Lat

Deacon Bob's Reflection... The Baptism of the Lord

Today is when the Church officially declares the end of the Christmas season, not because it's the twelfth of January, but because now Jesus makes His first "public" appearance. All three readings point to the coming of a savior, God remembering His promise to protect and save His chosen people.

The first reading from Isaiah is the beginning of the story of Israel's liberation from the Babylonian exile. Isaiah is reminding the people that God promised to remember His people, and He is now restoring them to their land. He is also telling them that God will come again to save them from their sins.

In Paul's letter to Titus, Paul says "the grace of God has appeared..." God has again come to His people, and now to all people, training them to transform their lives, and live good Christ-like lives, as they received in Baptism; we are reborn, cleansed of our sins, and are ready to enter into God's life.

In the Gospel from Luke, people are looking at John as the promised redeemer, but he clearly says he is not the One. John is preaching repentance, to get the people to recognize they have sinned, and to prepare them for the coming of the true Messiah. John tells them Jesus is greater than he is. The people hear the voice of God and see the sign of the dove descending upon Jesus.

But do all the people who witnessed that turn and follow Jesus? It doesn't seem so. After all, John was a powerful preacher, a charismatic prophet, one who the people could see was sent by God. But who is this Jesus, this carpenter who comes and stands in line to be baptized by John? Although it might look like Jesus is admitting His sinfulness and asking for forgiveness, He is instead joining Himself to us as human beings, showing that He has a human nature.

Just as Jesus is joined to us in His baptism, so each of us has been joined to Jesus by our Baptism. Each of us now has a spiritual nature and have been called to become part of the mission of Christ, of the Church, bringing His message of love, forgiveness, mercy and salvation to each person that we meet.

PARISH COLLECTION REPORT for Solemnity of Mary and January 4-5, 2025

Solemnity of Mary \$1997

In-pew January 4-5 \$5465

Christmas \$240

Maintenance \$887

Religious Education \$75

Votives \$91

January 12, 2025 — Baptism of the Lord

Chapel Main Church Gym Parish Center

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
JANUARY 13 7:00AM MASS MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA following Mass STITCHES PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY 10AM 2:00PM MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA, ROSARY, DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET	14 7:00AM MASS PICKLEBALL 9AM-1PM GYM PICKLEBALL 7-9 PM GYM	15 7:00AM MASS RELIGIOUS ED 6:00-7:30P	16 7:00AM MASS PICKLEBALL 9AM-1PM GYM CHOIR REHEARSAL 7PM	17 7:00AM MASS PICKLEBALL 9AM-1PM GYM	18 8:00AM MASS 8:30-9:30AM CONFESSIONS 9:30AM TAKE DOWN CHRISTMAS DECOR 5:30PM MASS	19 7:30AM MASS 10:30AM MASS 5:00PM MASS

January 18 & 19, 2025 LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE

Mass	Clergy	Lector	Eucharistic Minister	Altar Server
<i>Saturday 5:30 p.m.</i>	Fr. Graviour	G Gubiinski	P & E Sinagra	C Weishaupt / M Dwyer
<i>Sunday 7:30 a.m.</i>	Fr. Graviour	B VanAllen	P McCloskey	R & R Pardo
<i>Sunday 10:30 a.m.</i>	Msgr. Sullivan	K Klein	D DiMuccio	A Klein
<i>Sunday 5:00 p.m.</i>	Fr. Graviour	K McHugh	D McHugh / C Argulewicz	Banbury Family

ST. JOSEPH TEEN GROUP
PANCAKE BREAKFAST TODAY!



Sunday, January 12
8:00am - 12:30pm

Join the St. Joseph Teen Group as we host our Pancake Breakfast in the parish center. Cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children age 10 and younger. **See you there!**



ST. JOSEPH'S TEEN GROUP
will meet **TODAY!**
January 12, 6-8PM in the Parish Center
For questions or information, please
contact the parish office.



STITCHES
Prayer Shawl Ministry

SCHEDULE CHANGE: We will meet **Mon, Jan. 13, 10am**
in the rectory. New shawl-makers welcome!

CATHOLIC CHARITIES FOOD DRIVE
Pick up Monday, January 13th
a week early due to the Martin Luther King holiday
Let's help keep the Catholic Charities pantry
stocked during this dark, cold season.



RETURN TO ORDINARY TIME - HELP NEEDED



With the Baptism of the Lord, the Christmas season comes to a close. It's time to ready our Church and ourselves for a season of Ordinary Time.

PLEASE LEND A HAND Saturday, Jan. 18 at 9:30am
as we take down and store away our Christmas season decorations. Contact the parish office to let us know you'll be there. Leave your phone number in case weather issues cause us to reschedule.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OF OUR PARISHIONERS WHO ARE
HOMEBOUND, IN HEALTHCARE FACILITIES OR
SERIOUSLY ILL, ESPECIALLY

Tom Roger, Daniel Callahan, Nancy Maloney,
William Marchetti, Sandra Grant, Carol Heine, Francis
Caprotti Jr, Judy Moore, William Cobey & Jan Grogan

IN LOVING MEMORY OF ALL WHO HAVE
RECENTLY DIED, ESPECIALLY

George Habernig, Rachel M Goode,
Dr. Thomas Ingarra Jr & Maria Kain



May the perpetual light shine upon them.

IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW IS HOMEBOUND AND WOULD LIKE AN ANOINTING BY ONE OF OUR PRIESTS, A COMMUNION VISIT, OR TO ADD OR REMOVE A NAME FROM THIS LIST, PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE AT 845-481-4560 or EMAIL AT SJRC242@GMAIL.COM

STILL LOOKING FOR A NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION?



The various ministries at St. Joseph's offer plenty of opportunities for you to serve our parish and our neighbors in need. Now is a good time to begin a personal or family habit of service for the new year! Check Church postings and bulletin requests for help or contact the parish office.

Watch for Ministry Highlights in coming bulletins.



DARMSTADT SHELTER UPDATE

The staff at the Darmstadt Homeless Shelter recently shared with us that they and their residents are very appreciative of our breakfast sandwich, coffee, and half-n-half deliveries. A special thanks to our wonderful volunteers who continue to cook and deliver, and our parishioners who donate cans of coffee each month. New volunteers welcome! For questions or to become involved, please contact Dorothy McHugh (845)338-2315; text (845)242-0114.



THANK YOU FROM UNBOUND

Dear Parishioners,

On behalf of *Unbound*, thank you very much for welcoming us to your parish. Our hearts are full of gratitude for the generosity you have shown to the children, youth and elders in our sponsorship program. Through your willingness to partner with Unbound, your parish community has taken steps toward a closer walk with Jesus in the name of the poor. We pray that members of your parish community who answered the call to sponsorship will be richly blessed by their experience.

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In the Admissions tab, click on *Welcome to Saint Joseph's Seminary and College*



9 DAYS FOR LIFE NOVENA

JANUARY 16-24, 2025

9 Days for Life is an annual novena for the protection of human life. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life.

Sign up to receive the daily prayers via email or text:

<https://www.respectlife.org/prayer-and-action>

MARCH FOR LIFE



January 24, 2025 - Washington, DC

This year's theme is

LIFE: WHY WE MARCH

Over the past 52 years, the March for Life has united millions of pro-life Americans from every age, background, nationality and faith with a common purpose: to witness to the inherent dignity and worth of every single human life, especially those endangered by abortion.

Schedule for this year's March:

10:30am - Pilgrim Mass

St. Patrick's Church, 619 10th St. NW

11:00 Pre-Rally Concert featuring *Unspoken*

National Mall

12:00pm - Rally - National Mall

1:00pm - March for Life on Capital Hill

For more information, visit **marchforlife.org**



The Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord, fell on Sunday, January 5, 2025. This was also the day we had our 2025 Epiphany Concert at the St. Joseph's Church, and it was a tremendous success!

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the 68 talented singers who came from different parishes across three counties; the Hudson River Bells from the First Reformed Church in Athens, NY under the direction of Cathy Boyer; our guest accompanist Francis Huang from Bard College; flautists Aubrey Flick and Caitlin Ippolito; and soloists Mactier Freeman, Theresa Andersen, Mikayla Diacovo, and Brianna Lindgren.

A special thanks also goes to our parish accompanist Jane Touhey; our librarian Kin T. Chee; greeters, ushers, and all-round "trouble-shooters" Jo Ann Cella and Brother Joe; clergy from our parish and other churches; our dedicated Parish Secretaries Roz Borghere and Maria Davenport and, most importantly, the unwavering support of our Pastor, Fr. Kevin. The gifts shared during this event were truly remarkable!

If you'd like to listen to highlights from the concert, please visit and join our St. Joseph's Music Ministry **Facebook** page at <https://www.facebook.com/music.saintjoseph> or check out our **website** at <https://saintjosephkingston.org/>.

For easy access, use the camera function on your smartphone, scan the QR Codes below and click the weblinks.

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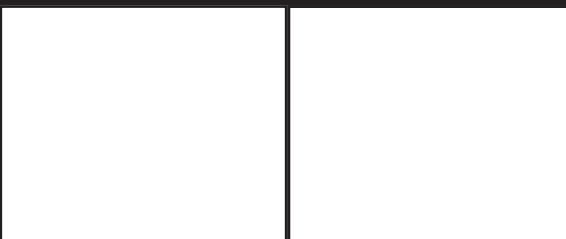
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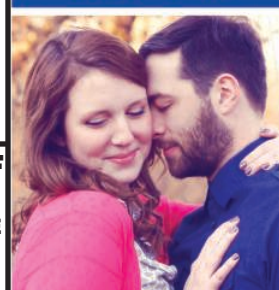
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