



Church of St. Joseph

149 Cottage Street, Middletown, N.Y. 10940 ☩ (845) 343-6013

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 17, 2017

Rev. Dennis A. Nikolić, Pastor
Rev. Alejandro Sanchez, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Thomas A. Roslak, Hospital Chaplain
Rev. Ngozi Osuji, Prison Chaplain
Rev. Donald Timone, In Residence
Deacon Richard Trapani
Deacon Albert Loeffler
Deacon Alexander Gapay
Deacon Michael Brescia

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Coordinator: Ms. Linda Byrons: 845-343-4415

SUNDAY MASS

Saturday evening: 5:30
Sunday morning: 7:00, 9:00, 9:00 (Latin), 11:30
Sunday afternoon: 1:00 -- en Español

DAILY MASS

Monday – Friday: 7:30 a.m., & 12:10 p.m.
Wednesday: 7:00 p.m. en Espanol
Saturday: 8:00 a.m.

HOLY DAYS

Mass and Confession schedule announced ahead of time.

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays: 4:15 to 5:00 & 7:30 to 8:00 p.m.
Thursday before First Friday: 4:15 to 5:00 p.m.
Also by appointment.

BAPTISMS

For registered parishioners, by appointment, after instruction. Sundays at 2:30 p.m., 2nd through last Sunday in English, 1st Sunday in Spanish. 3rd Saturday of the month at 12:00pm in English and 4th Saturday of the month in Spanish.

PARENT BAPTISMAL INSTRUCTION

Meetings in the Parish Center
English: 3rd Saturday, 9:15 to 10:15 a.m.
Spanish: 4th Saturday, 9:00 to 10:00 a.m.

ST. JOSEPH'S RELIGIOUS GIFT SHOP

9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. & 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Sunday

MARRIAGES

For registered parishioners. Arrangements must be made at least 6 months in advance.

PASTORAL VISITS

Communion for the home-bound and anointing of the sick: call the rectory.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (RCIA)

For adults interested in becoming Catholics and for Catholics who need to receive Communion and/or Confirmation. Please call the Rectory: 845-343-6013.

LITURGY

Eucharistic Ministers: *Coordinator*, Deacon Trapani
Lector Coordinator: Mr. Martin Suchy
Organist: Mr. Joseph Bertolozzi
Head Usher: Mr. Joseph Owen

DEVOTIONS

Perpetual Adoration in Chapel: 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
Miraculous Medal Novena: Mondays 7:00 p.m.
First Friday: Holy hour 8:00-9:00 p.m.
First Saturday: Rosary after the 8:00 a.m. Mass
First Saturday: Holy hour 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. in Spanish
Rosary Crusade for Life: First Sunday of the month, 4:00-5:00 p.m.

PARISH SERVICES

Food Pantry: Open Wednesdays 10:00am-12:00 noon
Senior Dining: Serving lunch Mon-Fri 845-956-1428
Parish Website: www.sjchurch.com



Welcome To
Our Parish

**TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY
TIME
SEPTEMBER 17, 2017**

*My peace
I give unto you
Let not your heart
be troubled,
neither let it be afraid.*



John 14:27

*Mass for the
Intentions Week*

September 17 - September 24

- SAT: 5:30pm Frank & Teresa Connolly
SUN: 7:00am All Parishioners Living & Deceased
9:00am Marian & Albert Duke
Grace Sorino
LATIN 9:00am Rev. Msgr. Thomas Marrinack
11:30am Giuseppe Zarrella
1:00pm Catalina Arzu
MON: 7:30am Maria Rosaria Genovese
12:10pm Ralph Napolitano
TUE: 7:30am Jaime Velez
12:10pm Jonathan Ruggles
WED: 7:30am Alfredo Piacente
12:10pm Demetrio Petrizzo &
Francesco Riccio
THUR: 7:30am M. Karen Cooke
12:10pm Francesco & Filomena De Iure
FRI: 7:30am Justin Luc
12:10pm Carmin & Marianna Talarico
SAT: 8:00am Donna Leanza
5:30pm Thomas, Catherine, John &
James Stanford
SUN: 7:00am All Parishioners Living & Deceased
9:00am Margaret Fuller
Damiano & Hayden Families
11:30am Salvatore Calabretta



PRAY FOR

Aliyana Alvarez-Moran
Ivan Vasquez

Note: Monday through Friday, 12:10pm mass is offered for an increase in vocations. An additional intention may be requested



**PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC
ADORATION**

In 1592 with heresies growing in Europe and a hostile invading Muslim force on the East, Pope Clement VIII instituted the 40 Hour devotion for the protection of the Church. This brought the faithful together before the Blessed Sacrament to adore Jesus and beg for the safety of the Church. Two centuries later, in 1809, Napoleon had risen to power and Pope Pius VII was taken prisoner. It was then that a pious priest in Rome gathered men together to pray each night before the Blessed Sacrament for the protection of the Church. It was an extension of the 40 Hour devotion. This was the start of Nocturnal Adoration in the Church.

We are blessed to have Perpetual Adoration in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Each day of the week there are several night hours that need a Guardian to be with Jesus – to adore Him and to pray His blessing on the Church. It is a pious expression of love for Jesus to keep Him company during the night remembering His imprisonment Holy Thursday night.

Will you console Jesus? He asks for one hour of your love and adoration. We have a great need for nocturnal Guardians. Please say yes. Call Marty/Clarice Suchy 692-4510

**Monday 4-5AM
Wednesday 2-3 AM
Wednesday 4-5AM
Friday 1-2 AM
Friday 3-4AM
Saturday 2-3AM**

2018 PARISH MASS BOOK TO OPEN

On **Wednesday, October 18th**, the 2018 Parish Mass Book will open. Requests **MUST** be made in person, **NOT** by phone. Requests will be recorded in the Gymnasium from 9:00am-3:00pm. Also requests will be made from 6:30pm-8:00pm in the rectory. You may request up to a total of **SIX** masses, but not more than **TWO** may be on a Saturday evening or Sunday masses. An offering for an announced mass is \$15.00. Please come prepared with your names dates and times ready to be recorded in the Mass book.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

The fall campaign begins on September 27th

. Please join in this prayerful effort to eliminate abortion. Your prayers, your sacrifices, your fasting are critical to the success of our efforts. Perhaps you are also able to stand witness at Planned Parenthood on Coates Drive in Goshen. The vigil takes place from 7AM-6PM every day through November 5th. While our parish is committed to every Monday please join the vigil whenever you have time.

There is a table up in the back of the church for anyone interested in signing up this weekend.



CHOIR RESUMES

Choir rehearsals resume Thursdays beginning Sept 21 in the church choir loft at 7pm. Anyone interested in joining is welcome. Questions? Speak to our

Music Director Joseph Bertolozzi after Mass.

APOSTOLATE OF PRAYER

Parishes of the Orange County Vicariate are uniting in prayer each day throughout the year for the members of our beloved clergy. Please remember:

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| September 17 | Pope Francis |
| September 18 | Rev. Stephan Huy Tran, O.Carm
Rev. Sean Harlow, O.Carm |
| September 19 | Rev. Alejandro Sanchez
Deacon John Paul Carr |
| September 20 | Rev. Raymond Nwegede
Rev. Daniel O'Hare |
| September 21 | Rev. Peter Heasley
Deacon John Sadowski |
| September 22 | Rev. Clifford Ekwueme
Rev. Raymond Pavlic |
| September 23 | Deceased priests and deacons |

FOOD FOR THE POOR

Our monthly food drive for the poor will be held next weekend. Do bring some canned or packaged foods when you come to mass. Please leave your food donations at the doors of the church. All canned, packaged and dried foods are welcome, but there is always a special need for items such as: **canned spaghetti or ravioli, fruits, soups, tuna fish, spam, or other meats, peanut butter and jelly, macaroni and cheese and cereal.**



TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Sirach 27:30—28:7

Sirach advises all to forgive the faults of their neighbor. Only by forgiving the sins of others, can a person expect to be forgiven his sins.

Second Reading: Romans 14:7-9

Paul stresses that no one is his own master; we are responsible to the Lord, and we belong to him in both life and death.

Gospel: Matthew 18:21-35

This narrative points out the difference between mercy and justice. When Peter asks how often he should forgive someone who wrongs him, Jesus answers, "...not seven times: I say seventy times seven times." Jesus then narrates the story of the king who was merciful to his official by forgiving him all his debts, but this same official showed no mercy to his own servant.

ANNUAL COLUMBUS DAY MASS

St. Joseph's Parish will have a bus to St. Patrick's Cathedral for the Annual Columbus Day Mass, Monday, October 9, 2017 at 9:30am. His Excellency Timothy Dolan will be the Celebrant and Homilist. The bus will leave from the church parking lot at 7:00am **SHARP**. After the Mass there will be time to view the Columbus Day Parade and to do some shopping or sightseeing. The bus will leave the Cathedral at 3:00pm. The round trip fare is \$30.00 per person. Reservations are required. Call the rectory weekdays, 9:00-4:30pm, at 343-6013. **DO NOT** put money in the collection basket as it will not be accepted.

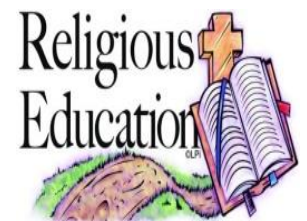


RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

The first week of St. Joseph's Religious Education was a great success!

The classes started with a prayer and a blessing of the books by Father Dennis and Father Alejandro.

Please keep our students and faculty in your prayers for a successful academic year.





SPANISH FOOD FESTIVAL

Our parish's "Spanish Food Festival", which was held last week, was a great success thanks to **Dulce Ortiz** and her team. We thank Dulce, her family and all the volunteers and vendors who helped make this such a great event again this year.

We congratulate the winners of our Raffle:

- Erika Armesto**..... 1st Prize \$1,000.00
- Sandra Montoya**.....2nd Prize \$500.00
- Maria Gil**3rd Prize \$200.00
- Sofi Godinez**Large Flat screen TV



Stand and be counted with thousands of Pro-Lifers! Join in the Annual Pro-Life Family Event- The Orange County Life-Chain, Sunday, October 1st along Route 211, Middletown, 2:00pm-3:30pm. Monitors with posters and other info will be located on the **SOUTH** of Route 211 **ONLY**. Participants are asked to line up on the south side of Route 211 only.

After the Life Chain, all are invited to the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, the Chapel of Perpetual Adoration, for Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Show the community you stand for life. Make it an afternoon of life: LIFE CHAIN at 2:00pm; BENEDICTION at Immediately afterwards in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.



Please take note: There will be NO ROSARY CRUSADE on October 1st, due to the Life Chain and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament to follow.

SHORTER NOTICES

†**CHRISTMAS BAZAAR:** We will meet on Tuesday, September 19th at 7:00pm in the meeting room/gymnasium. All are invited.

†**Don Bosco Prep Open House:** The Open Houses are scheduled for Thursday, September 28th, from 6:30pm-8:30pm, October 29th from 1:00pm-3pm, immediately following Noon Mass.

†**THREE HIGH SCHOOL SEMINARIES ONE COMMON EXPERIENCE:** Thursday, September 21, 2017 at @ 6:00 PM Alumni event for Cathedral Prep Brooklyn/Queens, Cathedral Prep New York, and St. Pius X Prep. To register, please click on the following link: www.cathedralprepalumni.com

CHILD PROTECTION

Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by priest, deacon, religious or lay person serving in the Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact Sr. Eileen Clifford, O.P. at 212-371-1000 x 2949 or Deacon George J. Coppola at 917-861-1762. Both may also be reached via email at victimassistance@srchny.org. Information can also be found on the Archdiocesan website, www.archny.org In keeping with the Archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure.

Cualquier persona que necesite repórter algún incidente de abuso sexual de un menor por un sacerdote, diacono, religioso/a, o laico sirviendo en la Arquidiócesis de Nueva York, se le pide que por favor contacte Hermana Eileen Clifford, O.P. al (212)371-1000 extensión 2949 o Deacon George Coppola at 917-861-1762. Ambos también pueden ser contactados via correo electrónico: victimassistance@archny.org. Para Mas información pueden visitar la página en la red de la Arquidiócesis: www.archny.org. De acuerdo con las normas de la Arquidiócesis respeto al abuso sexual de menores, esta información se provee para asegurar que nuestros nos permanezcan seguros.

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Jesus said:

This is My Body...

This is My Blood...



Could you not watch one hour with Me?

WHEN? Any hour of the day or night, any day of the week.

WHERE? The Blessed Sacrament Chapel here at St. Joseph Church.

WHY? To give God the adoration that is due Him and to continue our thanksgiving for the sacrament of the Eucharist.

WHY COMMIT? The exposed Blessed Sacrament must never be left alone. There are 168 hours in the week and we must know that someone will be there each hour. Guardians permit the chapel to remain open for anyone who wants to visit.

GUARDIAN? A Guardian of the Blessed Sacrament is an adorer who commits to visit Jesus each week at a particular time. For example you might choose Tuesday at 6PM or Sunday at 2AM. The choice is yours. Every hour is a good one and Jesus will be waiting for you!

NO TIME? How much time do you spend on the internet, Facebook or in other leisure activities? No other activity is worth as much as an hour with our Lord.

WHAT'S IN IT FOR ME? The rewards are out of this world! Truly heavenly!

HOW DO I SIGN UP? Call the rectory 343-6013, or call Clarice or Marty Suchy 845-692-4510.

Perpetual Adoration at the Church of St. Joseph

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