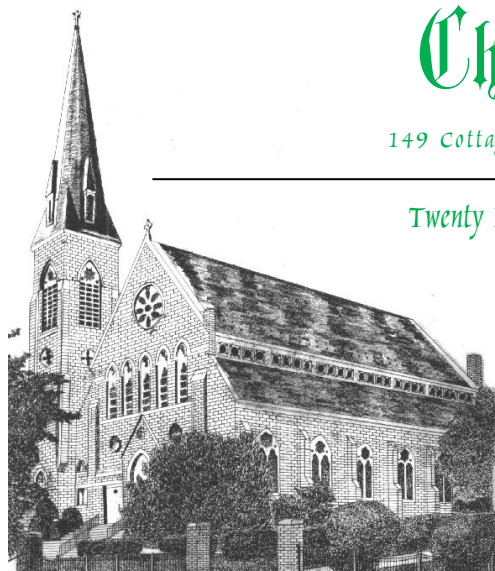


Church of St. Joseph

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



Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 18, 2016

Rev. Dennis A. Nikolic, 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: Angelica Frausto, 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.
Eve of 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.

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: 343-6013.

LITURGY

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

DEVOTIONS

Miraculous Medal Novena and Rosary:
Mondays 7:00 p.m.
Perpetual Adoration In Chapel: 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
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

Parish Website: www.sjchurch.com



Welcome To
Our Parish

**TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

SEPTEMBER 18, 2016



*... You by his poverty
might become rich.
2 Corinthians 8:9*



September 18 – September 25

- SAT: 5:30pm Frank & Teresa Connolly
 SUN: 7:00am All Parishioners Living & Deceased
 9:00am Alfred Piacente
 Marion & Albert Duke
 LATIN 9:00am Mary Joyce Brennan
 11:30am Alena Nelson
 1:00pm Fr. Allen Boland
 Maurico Heredia Soriano
 MON: 7:30am Jaime Velez
 12:10pm Jonathan Ruggles
 TUE: 7:30am Larry Bedosky (living)
 12:10pm Demetrio Petrizzo &
 Francesco Riccio
 WED: 7:30am Antonietta Sacchetti
 12:10pm Francesco & Filomena Delura
 THUR: 7:30am Nicholas Cortese
 12:10pm Carmine & Maria Anna Talarico
 FRI: 7:30am Franco Roviglio
 12:10pm Deceased members
 DeMaria Family
 SAT: 8:00am Margaret Fuller
 5:30pm Thomas, Catherine, John &
 James Stanford
 SUN: 7:00am All Parishioners Living & Deceased
 9:00am Nicola & Thera Arceri
 John L. Mirra III
 LATIN 9:00am Mary Joyce Brennan
 11:30am Cathleen Roggeman
 1:00pm Infant of Prague
 Maurico Heredia Soriano

PRAY FOR

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

ENCOURAGE

A Catholic Apostolate for those who have family members with same sex attraction. A new website has been created to help the faithful who are searching for information about Encourage, the church's teachings on same sex attraction and spiritual support: www.encyourageny.com



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:

- September 18 Pope Francis
 September 19 Rev. Michael Cedro
 Rev. Joseph Emmanuel
 September 20 Rev. Jerry Deponai
 Deacon Edward Grosso
 September 21 Rev. Joseph Fallon
 Rev. Thomas Roslak
 September 22 Rev. Jack Arlotta
 Deacon Peter Haight
 September 23 Rev. Jeffrey Mauer
 Rev. Paul Dmoch
 September 24 Priests and deacons who have served in the vicariate.

2017 PARISH MASS BOOK TO OPEN

On **Wednesday, October 26** the 2017 Parish Mass Book will open. Requests **MUST** be made in person **NOT** by phone. Requests will be recorded in the Meeting Room/Gym 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.

HOSPITALITY SUNDAY



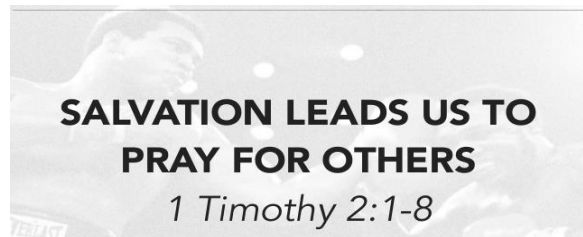
Sunday September 25th is Hospitality Sunday. After the 9:00am Mass please join us for a little reception in

the Parish Center Meeting Room. This is a great opportunity to socialize and get to meet new friends. Please come and join us.

We are looking for the different organizations to sponsor one of the Hospitality Sunday's. Please consider taking part in the event. Please call the parish office at 343-6013 and leave your name, organizations name, phone number and month you would like to sponsor. Thank you in advance for your help!

**SALVATION LEADS US TO
PRAY FOR OTHERS**

1 Timothy 2:1-8





PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Perhaps you stop in to the Blessed Sacrament chapel several times a week or even daily. We are able to keep the chapel open 24/7 because of many dedicated volunteers who commit themselves to adore Jesus at the same time every week. Ideally we should have at least two of these volunteer Guardians per hour. Many hours have only one. Below are hours that have no assigned Guardian at this time.

Prayerfully consider becoming a Guardian of the Eucharist. Every hour is available to you. Call Marty/Clarice Suchy **692-4510**.

Hours of great need:

Tuesday 4-5 AM
Wednesday 3-4 AM
Wednesday 6-7 AM
Friday 5-6 AM
Friday 8-9 AM

CHOIR RESUMES



Choir rehearsal resumes on Thursdays beginning September 22nd in the church choir loft at 7:00pm. Anyone interested in joining is welcome. Questions? Speak to our Music Director Joseph Bertolozzi after Mass.

THE ANNUAL SEMINARY COLLECTION WILL BE TAKEN UP AT ALL THE MASSES THIS WEEKEND. PLEASE BE AS GENEROUS AS YOUR MEANS PERMIT

ST. JOSEPH'S RELIGIOUS BOOK AND GIFT SHOP

We are in great need of volunteers on Sundays. Even if you can only give an hour, that will be a great help. Call the rectory at 343-6013 to leave your name and phone number.

YOUNG ADULT PILGRIMAGE HOLY DOORS

National Shrine of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

Saturday, September 24th
1:00 - 8:00pm

The day includes featured speakers Fr. Justin Cinnante & Fr Francis Amodio; Mass celebrant will be Auxiliary Bishop Peter J. Byrne. The day includes talks, confessions, Vigil Mass, barbecue, bonfire and musical performances. Sponsored by the Orange County Catholic Young Adults. For information or to RSVP, Luigi.Manente@archny.org

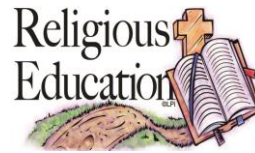


RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Classes for RCIA will begin **today** Sunday, September 18th at 10:15am in the school. These classes are open to all adults who are interested in becoming Catholics and those adult Catholics who have not received First Communion or Confirmation. Call the rectory at 343-6013 and leave your name, address and phone number. Someone will get in touch with you.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

We **WELCOME** back all students and catechist! We are looking forward in to a great 2016-2017 Religious Education year.



Reminder to all Confirmation Candidates:

All required paperwork is now due. Please submit all forms completed in their entirety to your teacher. Thank you.

THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL

The Feast of St. Therese of Lisieux will be celebrated at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel on Friday, September 30th at 7:00pm with Solemn Evening Prayer and Saturday, October 1st beginning at 10:00am with Morning Prayer, followed by Confessions, Solemn Feast Day Liturgy. Lunch and Afternoon Conference presented by Fr. Robert Traudt, O.Carm. Relics of St. Therese will be on display.

Please call Carol Bezak, Shrine Director at 845-343-1879 Ext. 22 for registration information and further details.

Orange County Life Chain



JOIN THE LIFE CHAIN

Sunday, October 2, 2016

2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Route 211, Middletown

For information, please call
(845) 496-0391



CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Tables are available at a cost of \$25.00 per table for our bazaar to be held on Saturday, November 12th. New donations for our raffle table are needed. Call the rectory if you have any questions. We will meet again on Tuesday evening, September 20th @7:00pm in the meeting room/gym to continue making Christmas items.

Would you like to help out but cannot attend meetings. Do you bake cookies? We need bakers for the **COOKIE WALK** that will be part of our bazaar. If you would be willing to bake a few batches of your favorite cookie(s), please call Marilyn Hoffman at 733-1237 or the rectory at 343-6013.



Sunday

Am 8:4-7; 1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13

Monday

Prv 3:27-34; Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday

Prv 21:1-6, 10-13; Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday

Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Mt 9:9-13

Thursday

Eccl 1:2-11; Lk 9:7-9

Friday

Eccl 3:1-11; Lk 9:18-22

Saturday

Eccl 11:9—12:8; Lk 9:43b-45

KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS

Your Middletown Knights of Columbus will be selling their annual raffle tickets after all Masses on the weekend of September 24th and 25th. The proceeds support Catholic related charities and events throughout New York State.

SHORTER NOTICES

† **LAY FRATERNITY OF ST. DOMINIC** – will meet on Saturday, September 24th from 1-4pm in the parish center/gym. Interested persons are welcome.

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Amos 8:4-7

The prophet Amos expressed disgust over people who take advantage of the poor. He describes businessmen scheming to cheat the poor, then declares that God will "never forget the things they have done."

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 2:1-8

Paul urges the Christians to pray for all people, especially those in authority. Paul even asked them to pray for the kings who denounced Christ's teachings, because God wants all people to be saved through Jesus.

Gospel: Luke 16:1-13

Jesus tells a story about a servant who tries to cheat his employer. The owner is impressed because he would do the same thing himself. Jesus then describes the importance of being trustworthy in small matters, as well as in greater ones. He then states that no one can serve two masters faithfully, so people cannot give themselves completely to both God and money.

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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. There will be containers at the doors of the church for your donations. All canned, packaged and dried foods are welcome, but there is a special need for canned items such as: **spaghetti** or **ravioli**, fruits, vegetables, **soups**, **tune fish**, **spam** or **other meats**, rice and **peanut butter** and **jelly**.

PARISH BULLETIN

Any person/organization who wishes to put an announcement in the Sunday Bulletin must do so by **12:00 NOON on Mondays**. **If we do not receive your announcement on time, you will have to wait for the following week for it to be published.** You may drop off your announcement to the rectory or email it to: parish@sichurch.com. Thank you for your cooperation.