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## Intentional Discipleship ~ Intercessory Prayer!

All are invited to enter into a deeper understanding of what it means to be a disciple. Christ, himself, did naught else in a sense than intercede for others – all others, of all creation; in fact, his incarnation and entire subsequent life is nothing but an intercession on our behalf to the Father for redemption of all. In intercession, he who prays looks “not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.” (CCC: 2634)

*Our Parish Prayer: God, our Father, send your Holy Spirit to renew our faith and deepen our relationship with our Lord Jesus Christ so that we might live boldly and intentionally as His disciples.*

### Mass Schedule

Weekday Masses ..... **9 am** - Church  
**Weekend Masses**  
Saturday Evening..... **5 pm** - Church  
Church Sunday **8:00am & 12 Noon** - Church  
**10:00am** - Parish Center

**Holy Days** Please consult the Bulletin

**New Parishioners** Please call the Parish Office to register, to learn about programs and ministries and how to become involved in Parish life.

**Parish Office**                   **973-697-6100**  
**Website**                         [www.stjoseph-nj.org](http://www.stjoseph-nj.org)  
**Fax**                                 973-697-3716  
**Convent**                         973-697-2846  
**Faith Formation**             973-697-6100  
**e-mail**                         bulletin@optonline.net  
**Office Hours**  
Monday – Thursday   9 am – 5 pm  
Friday                     9 am – 12 noon  
Saturday and Sunday   Closed

### Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

We wish to invite anyone interested in becoming a Catholic to please call the Parish Office for more information on receiving the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and or Confirmation. Instructional sessions are offered twice a month on Sunday morning from October – April.

### SACRAMENT of BAPTISM

At St. Joseph Church we help families prepare for the Sacrament of Baptism and are happy to answer questions and address concerns. Information about the Sacrament of Baptism can be found on the parish website: [www.stjoseph-nj.org](http://www.stjoseph-nj.org)

To schedule a baptism, please call the parish office and express your desire to have your child baptized.

### SACRAMENT of RECONCILIATION

Monday 7:00pm – 8:00pm, 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month 9:45-10:00am and Saturday at 3:45 pm until 4:30 pm or, anytime anyone wishes to receive the Sacrament. Please call the Parish Office to set an appointment with a priest.

### MINISTRY to the SICK

Anyone who is seriously ill or aged and wishes to be anointed should call the Parish Office. If you or anyone you know is in the hospital, please call the office.

### MARRIAGE PREPARATION

Arrangements begin by setting a date with a priest one year before the wedding. All couples to be married at St. Joseph Church must participate in a marriage preparation program. Call the Parish Office to make an appointment.

**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT  
MARCH 17, 2019**

**PASTORAL AND PARISH OFFICE STAFF**

Father Aleksander Bialas.....	<i>Pastor</i>
Harry White, Ben Lo Paro.....	<i>Deacons</i>
Sister Janet Brisky, P.B.V.M.....	<i>Pastoral Associate</i>
Sister Geraldine Corio, P.B.V.M.....	<i>Director of Faith Formation</i>
Mary Beth Ferriola.....	<i>Business and Cemetery Manager</i>
Mary O'Neill.....	<i>Parish Secretary</i>
Antonietta Dellapi.....	<i>Director of Volunteer Ministries</i>
Camille Kluge.....	<i>Youth Director</i>
Jacqueline M. Reilly.....	<i>Music Director</i>
Bob Sautter.....	<i>Buildings and Grounds Supervisor</i>



Upcoming  
Events

**SUNDAY, MARCH 17**

**St. Joseph Table Following Masses - PC**

7:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous - KH

**MONDAY, MARCH 18**

7:00 PM Exposition\Benediction\Confession - CH

7:00 PM Gamblers Anonymous - KH

**TUESDAY, MARCH 19**

10:00 AM Intentional Disciples - MR

7:00 PM Intentional Disciples - PC

7:30 PM Alcoholics Anonymous - KH

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20**

6:30 PM Boy Scout Troop Meeting - KH

6:30 PM Parent\Child Time - PC

7:00 PM Cantor\Choir Rehearsal - CH

**THURSDAY, MARCH 21**

7:00 PM Women's Cornerstone Meeting - FBR

**FRIDAY, MARCH 22**

9:00 AM Stations of the Cross Following Mass - CH

Women's Cornerstone - PC

Midnight Alcoholics Anonymous - KH

**SATURDAY, MARCH 23**

7:00 PM Women's Cornerstone - PC

10:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous - KH

**SUNDAY, MARCH 24**

1:00 PM Y M Stations of the Cross Practice - CH

7:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous - KH

**LECTORS FOR WEEKEND OF MARCH 23/24**

G. Tacinelli, B. Organ, J. Duffy, M. Chirichella

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF  
MARCH 23/24**

**SATURDAY 5:00 PM:** D. Lastro, P. & J. Gerst

**SUNDAY 8:00 AM:** A. M. Cooney, C. Carbone,  
J. & L. Endres

**10:00 AM:** M. B. Ferriola, M. McKenzie

**12:00 PM:** J. Vigna, A. Cazorla, S. Batory

The 10:00AM Mass on Sunday, March 31<sup>st</sup>  
will be celebrated in the church.



**MONDAY, MARCH 18 – St. Cyril of Jerusalem,  
Bishop and Doctor of the Church (Optional)**

Readings: Dn 9:4b-10; Lk 6:36-38

9:00 AM +Agnes Underwood by Niederstrasser  
Family

Intention\Suzanne by Ellen De Lillo

**TUESDAY, MARCH 19 – St. Joseph, Spouse of  
The Blessed Virgin Mary**

Readings: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Rom 4:13,  
16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

9:00 AM +Richie O'Neill by St. Joseph Rosarians

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20**

Readings: Jer 18:18-20; Mt 20:17-28

9:00 AM +Pauline Whritenour by Marilyn Whritenour  
Intention\Anthony by Ellen De Lillo

**THURSDAY, MARCH 21**

Readings: Jer 17:5-10; Lk 16:19-31

9:00 AM +Marguerite Harris by Deacon Harry and  
Lillian White

**FRIDAY, MARCH 22**

Readings: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a;

Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

9:00 AM +George Snell by Malec Family

**SATURDAY, MARCH 23 - St. Turibius of Mogrovejo,  
Bishop (Optional)**

Readings: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

9:00 AM +William Shadwell by St. Joseph Rosarians

5:00 PM Intention\Cathryn Weiss – Connors by Family

**SUNDAY, MARCH 24 - Third Sunday of Lent**

Readings: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; I Cor 10:1-6, 10-12;  
Lk 13:1-9

8:00 AM People of the Parish

10:00 AM +Bob J. Kochka by McKenzie Family

+Marlo Marino by Pat Yannacci

12:00 PM +Robert J. Kochka

+Jordan Santos 4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary by Santos  
Family

Budget 2019	\$6,000.00
Actual March 9\10	\$4,503.00
Difference	- \$1,497.00





**Third Sunday of Lent**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Exodus 3:1-8, 13-15**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12**

**Gospel: Luke 13:1-9**

**SCRIPTURE FOCUS:** The fig tree in the parable of today's Gospel represents Jerusalem. Jerusalem was the center of God's chosen people. He loved and cared, cultivated and fertilized. It is time for Jerusalem to bear fruit, but Jerusalem failed. The coming of Jesus as the "sign" of God's love for people can be seen as an extra time of grace given to Jerusalem. But by the time the Gospel was written, Luke's audience would know that Jerusalem had been destroyed. The parable also carries a caution for us: Unless we reform, we too will perish, just as Jerusalem did.

**LIFE FOCUS:** Tell how God's calling caused you to look inward and make positive change in your life.

**CAN YOU HELP? Call Sr. Janet 973-697-2846**

Please leave donations in Sr. Janet's garage.

**Please do not leave items outside and don't leave anything that is not mentioned below!**

**Please donate with dignity to show respect for those receiving your items.**

**Remember, if you think it is junk, it probably is.**

**Needed: For Straight and Narrow:** There is a need for soap, body wash, deodorant, razor blades, toothpaste, (don't need toothbrushes) shampoo and hand sanitizer.

**Needed:** Newspaper puzzles (please cut from paper) with the answers stapled to the puzzles.

**Needed:** Current magazines. Please leave in bags IN Sr. Janet's garage.

**Needed:** New Socks for Eva's Village.

**Needed:** A couch and chair.

**Needed:** Women's large size elastic waist slacks medium to tall. Label "A." Leave in Sr. Janet's garage.

**Needed:** Musical instruments for children (tambourines, maracas, etc.).

**Needed:** First Holy Communion Veils. Please leave in Sr. Janet's Garage.

**Needed:** Women's sneakers size 8, shirts,

X-large, pants size 14-16 and socks size 8.

**BINGO AT MILFORD MANOR**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 23 - 2:30-3:30PM**

Come 10 minutes early and stay 15 minutes late to help. Bingo prizes are needed – men's wallets and wrinkle cream (hope springs eternal). Sister always needs help with bingo. Email [srjanet@stjoseph-nj.org](mailto:srjanet@stjoseph-nj.org) if you can help. If you need a signature, Sr. Janet will have a pen after bingo.



**The Bread and Wine for the week of March 17<sup>th</sup> are donated in loving memory of Kathleen Weiss by John and Sandy Struble**

**A Time for Vocations... Please pray for: Seminarian Diego Monsalve**

**A Time To Serve In The Military...**

**Joseph Connors, Andrew Giambalvo, Alex Richnavsky, Matthew Lattanzi,**

**Christopher Hettema, Jeffrey Cox,**

**Joshua Paicer, Ckyson Santos,**

**Johnathan Greenwald and Steve McKenzie**

If you have a family member in the military and would like them to be prayed for please call parish office with the name of the person.

**A Time To Heal... Please pray for: Robert G.**

**Kochka, Jack McLaughlin, Bill Hoffman, John Paicer,**

**Scott Frew, Marilyn Whritenour, Joanne Klosz, Natalie Hummel, Donald Conlon, Mary Henaghen, Eleanor Fitzgerald, Jill Mooney Kelty, June Fincken, Pat**

**Burd, Barbara Richnavsky, Joanne Cooper, Vicki Cawthorne, Jeffrey Miller, Barbara Cox, Peter Mack,**

**James Moncrief, Zach Scieslicki, Michelle Harwood,**

**Arnold Spoust and Mavourneen Slufik**

**A Time To Die... Please pray for: Clare Gensheimer**

Only family members may request to have someone included in prayers for the sick. They will remain on for 2 weeks then the parish office must be notified if they are to remain on for another 2 weeks.



Dear Parishioners,

Message  
from your Pastor

March 19<sup>th</sup> the Holy Church brings our attention to the patron of our parish, St. Joseph. Being the foster father of Jesus and husband of Mary, he was a very humble and quiet man. This brings to mind the value of humility to serve God and our brothers and sisters. And remember that holiness can be hidden in quietness and always filled with humility. May we always be willing to pray to serve with humility through the intercession of St. Joseph. Humility comes out of love and love comes from God. St. Joseph pray for us. God Bless.

*Fr. Aleks*



*It's time to Register for Women's Cornerstone IX! This 26-hour retreat takes place right here at St. Josephs on March 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> (begins Friday evening).*

*Take advantage of this opportunity to refresh your soul during Lent this year! Registration forms are in the back of Church or call the Parish Office.*



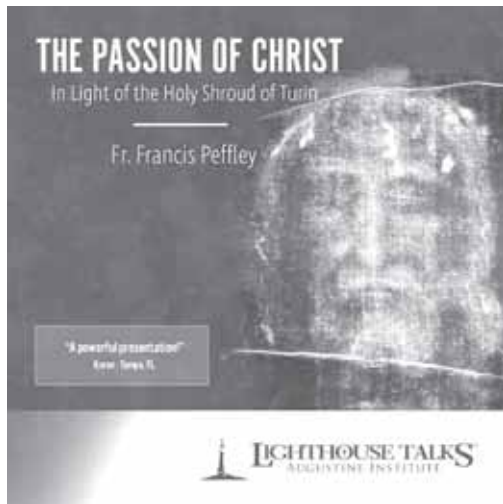
## Stations of the Cross

Come and learn about Jesus' journey to the Cross as we prepare for our presentation of the stations of the cross.

Youth Ministry will begin practices for the "Living Stations of the Cross" with a brief meeting on Sunday, March 24, immediately following the 12 noon Mass in the church (approximately 15-20 minutes). All interested high school teens should attend this meeting. Subsequent practices will be held in the church as follows -

- Sunday, March 31 - 4:00-6:00 pm
- Sunday, April 7 - 4:00-6:00 pm
- Friday, April 12 - 7:00-9:00 pm.

The presentation will take place Good Friday, April 19, at 8:00 pm in the church. For further information, please contact Camille at [klugecamille@gmail.com](mailto:klugecamille@gmail.com).



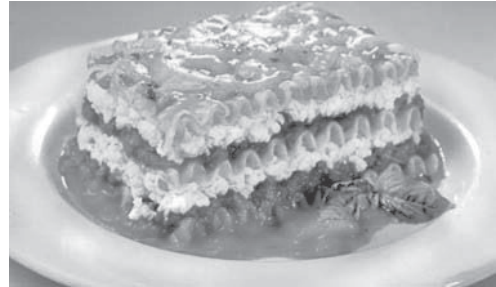
### CHECK OUT WHAT'S NEW IN THE KIOSK

The Holy Shroud of Turin was called the greatest relic in Christendom by Pope John Paul II. In fact, the Shroud is the most studied scientific object in the entire world. Fr. Peffley presents new and detailed scientific and medical evidence for the authenticity of the Holy Shroud. This presentation brings greater clarity as to the depth of the agony of our Lord's sorrowful Passion, which he voluntarily took on for love of us.



Needed: macaroni, oatmeal, and laundry detergent.

Thanks for your continued generosity. Gift card donations are appreciated and may be purchased after weekend Masses.



Let the Boy Scouts cook dinner for you! Saturday, March 30th, Boy Scout Troop 114, chartered by St. Joseph Church will be hosting their Annual Lasagna Dinner. You can dine in or take out at the Parish Center between 4 pm and 7 pm. Hurry and get your tickets - only \$10 for adults, and \$6 for seniors and children under 12. Call or email Mark for more information @ 908.770.4808 or [magemmie@aol.com](mailto:magemmie@aol.com)  
Troop 114 thanks you for your support!

## SUPPORT GROUP

If you have lost a loved one to death, we invite you to join us for a series of six sessions of information, mutual sharing and support in a spiritual, caring, **strictly confidential** setting. The group is led by a trained facilitator, certified by the Family Life Office of the Archdiocese of Newark. OUR MISSION IS:

- To provide a Christ-centered group experience to those grieving the death of a loved one
- To support spiritually and emotionally those who mourn
- To provide knowledge of the grieving process and resources for the journey
- To offer a caring, compassionate, confidential atmosphere for the sharing of experiences

THE 2019 SESSION DATES ARE:  
Monday nights from 7:00-8:30

The six sessions are on the following dates:  
March 25, April 1, April 8, April 15  
April 29, May 6.

All meetings are held in the in the school. You do not have to be a member of St. Joseph's Church to participate with this group. If you are interested in joining us, or if you would like more information about the group, please contact the Rectory at 973-697-6100.

*All calls are confidential.*

**PREREGISTRATION IS REQUIRED BY  
MONDAY, MARCH 18.**

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*Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup> – 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM*

Collecting: All types and sizes of wearable clothing, belts, shoes, boots, hats, scarves, handbags, etc.

Household linen such as drapes, curtains, blankets, tablecloths, sheets, spreads, towels, etc.

*(Items will not be shredded)*

Gently used stuffed animals will also be accepted.

**Please place items in PLASTIC BAGS ONLY  
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