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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.

Served By

Fr. Jakub Grzybowski..... *Parish Administrator*
Deacon Harry White.....Permanent Deacon
Sster Janet Brisky, P.B.V.M. .....*Pastoral Associate*
Sister Geraldine Corio, P.B.V.M. ....*Director of Faith Formation*
Mary Beth Ferriola.....*Business\Cemetery Director*
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Antonietta Dellapi.....*Director of Volunteer Ministries*
Mary O'Neill.....*Parish Secretary*
Debbie Lastro..... ..... *Adm. Assistant Generations of Faith*
Bob Sautter.....*Building and Grounds Supervisor*
Hans Niederstrasser and Donna Petronchak.....*Trustees*

Masses

Saturday..... 5:00 pm
Sunday 8:00 am, Church, 10:00 am Church and 12 Noon Church
Monday 6:30 pm Mass
Weekday Mass.....Tuesday - Saturday 9:00 am
Holy Day Masses..... 9:00 am and 6:30 pm
Eve of Holy Day..... 6:30 pm

Confession

Saturday 3:45pm- 4:30pm

welcome

New Parishioners

Welcome to our parish! Please come in or call the Parish Office to register. Registration is a tangible sign of affiliation with the people of St. Joseph's Parish.

Sacrament of Baptism
Information about the Sacrament of Baptism may be found on the parish website: www.stjoseph-nj.org. If you wish your child to receive the Sacrament of Baptism, please contact the Parish Office.

Marriages
Please contact the Parish Office one year in advance of your wedding to arrange for Pre-Cana Marriage Preparation Sessions.

Visitation of the Sick and Elderly
Please keep us informed so that we can be attentive to those who are ill at home or in the hospital.

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.

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JULY 12, 2020

Next Week: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Wisdom 12:13, 16-19
2nd Reading: Romans 8:26-27
Gospel: Matthew 13:24-43

SCRIPTURE FOCUS: In today's Gospel Jesus tells three parables that describe the kingdom of God. In the first we hear about a field where wheat and weeds grow together. It was hard to tell the wheat from the weeds. To cut or pull the weeds while the wheat was growing would hurt the wheat. When the crop was full grown, however, the weeds could be pulled without endangering the wheat. In the Christian community, we find the same situation – good and bad grow together, and none of us is wise enough to weed out the bad without harming the good. God, the "Master of the Harvest," will make the judgement at the end of time. In the meantime, we must be nonjudgmental and practice patience.

LIFE FOCUS: When has a first impression of someone changed from "weed" to "wheat" for you? What would you have missed if you had not taken the time to understand the person more thoroughly?

The number to call in case of an **emergency only** is 862-274-3380. Please leave your name, number and a brief message and someone will return your call.

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LECTORS FOR THE WEEKEND OF JULY 18\19

H. Meditz, D. Van Zile, A, Sullivan, J. Vigna

MONDAY, JULY 13 - *St. Henry (Optional)*
6:00 PM +Anthony Pallito by Avon Taylor

TUESDAY, JULY 14 - St. Kateri Tekawitha, Virgin
9:00 AM +Marty G. McHenry by Rose Baltus
+Joseph Morais by Sr. Geraldine

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15 - St. Bonaventure, Bishop, Doctor of the Church
6:00 PM People of the Parish

THURSDAY, JULY 16 - *Our Lady of Mount Carmel (Optional)*
9:00 AM +Sr. Maria Dolorasa

FRIDAY, JULY 17
6:00 PM People o the Parish

SATURDAY, JULY 18 - *St. Camillus de Lellis, Bishop (Optional)*
9:00 AM People of the Parish
5:00 PM +Connie Cornwell by Joe and Ellen Patscher
+Kenneth Broo by Patty and Mike Maglio

SUNDAY, JULY 19 – 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 AM +Caroline Whritenour by Family
10:00 AM People of the Parish
12:00 PM +Anna Roccanova by Deacon Harry and Lillian White
+Joseph Vevito by Kathy Otto

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Due to changes in Mass schedule please check the website for times.

If you would still like to view Masses online, go to our website to view all recorded Masses. You may also subscribe to our You Tube Channel

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Weekly collection: $2,479.00

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

PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE ANYTHING IN SR. JANET'S GARAGE UNLESS IT IS LISTED HERE

Needed: Air pump to inflate basketball
Needed: Full size air mattress.
Needed: Clean fans.
Needed: Medium size living room chairs
If You Need: A hospital bed

Please pray for:

A Time for Vocations…
Seminarian Diego Monsalve

Time To Serve In The Military…
Joseph Connors, Alex Richnavsky, Matthew Lattanzi, Christopher Hettema, Jeffrey Cox, Joshua Paicer, Ckyson Santos, Johnathan Greenwald and Joseph Canova

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…
Bill Hoffman, Scott Frew, Marilyn Whritenour, Natalie Hummel, Donald Conlon, Mary Henaghen, Pat Burd, Vicki Cawthorne, June Fincken, James Moncrief, Sandy Goceljak, Elenore Presing, and Liliana Yauñez de Silva

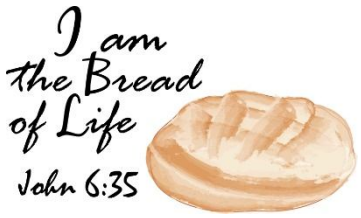
A Time To Die…
Those buried in our cemetery

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.

The food pantry needs diapers size 5 and 6, kids juice boxes, crackers, chili, salad dressing, jelly, laundry detergent and toothpaste.

Gift cards are always appreciated and can be purchased online or at the parish office Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday between 9:00am and 12:00pm.

The Sacraments

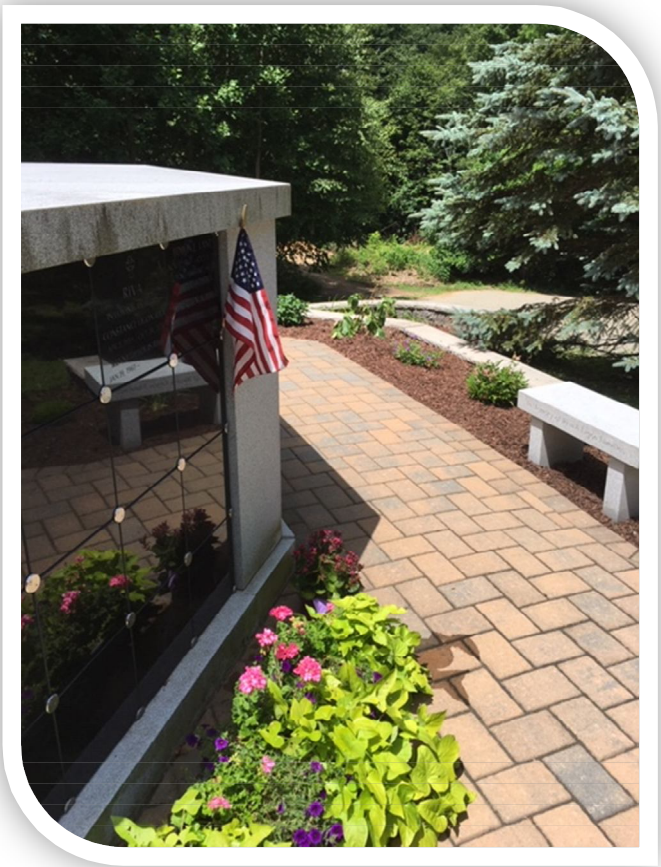


We are beginning to schedule the celebrations for the sacraments of Baptism and First Holy Communion.

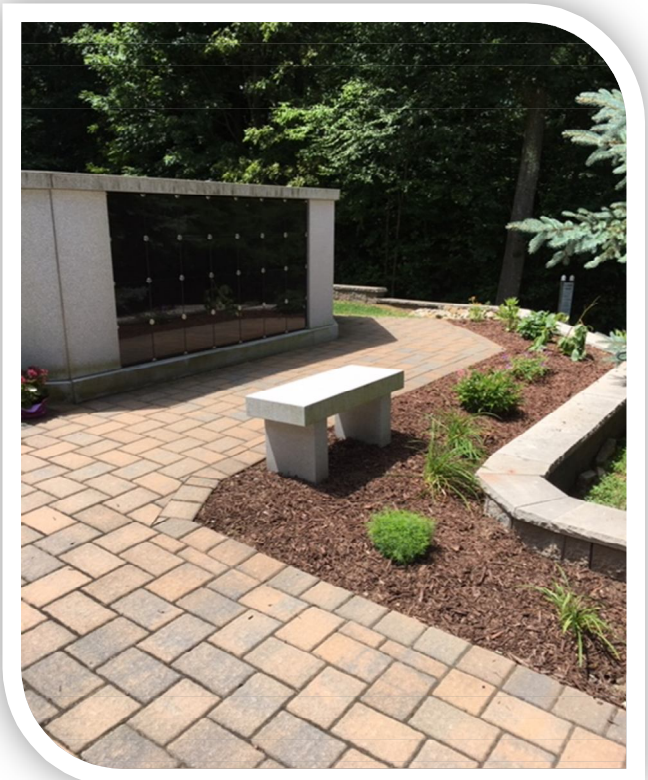
Please pray for the children who will receive their Holy Communion for the first time on Saturday, August 1 and Sunday, August 2.

We continue to have gift cards available for your weekly shopping or if you need them as gifts for a graduation, a birthday or other occasion Gift cards may be purchased at the parish office on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday from 9:00am – 12:00pm or by calling the parish office and leaving a message. Someone will call you back and make arrangements for you to get cards. They may be paid for online or by check when you pick them up. Thank you for your continued support to the Gift Card Program.

The parish office is now open on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9:00am until 12:00pm. If you come to the office, you will need to wear a face mask. If these hours are not convenient you may still leave a message if you would like to have a Mass said and need a card. Someone will return your call and make arrangements.



Thank you to Maureen Lane and her daughter Sharon Magder for taking the time in beautifying the area around the columbarium with mulch and plants. It looks so beautiful and peaceful.



3rd Mindful Challenge

JUSTICE FOR ALL: Each person is made in the image and likeness of God and should be treated with respect. The life of St. Josephine Bakhita (1869-1947) is an example for us to remember the importance of working for justice for all people. While Bakhita was a young girl in Africa, she was kidnapped, sold as a slave, cruelly treated, and beaten by her owners. She later travelled to Italy with a kind family where she learned about God, became a free person, and joined the Canossian Sisters. Through the strength of God's love, St. Josephine forgave her captives and served anyone in need with great compassion.

This week mindfully answer the question of whether you treat everyone with respect or do you often just respect those who think like you? Is it OK to hold grudges or be mean to someone who has been mean to you? Perhaps there's no time like the present to let St. Josephine Bakhita be a shining example of letting God's love give you the strength to treat all people with respect and to start forgiving people who have hurt you as well.

"The Lord has loved me so much; we must love everyone…we must be compassionate!"
St. Josephine Bakhita

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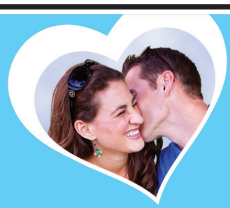
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