

SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

216 COMLY ROAD , LINCOLN PARK, NEW JERSEY 07035

Our Mission Statement: We, the Eucharistic community of the Lord at Saint Joseph's and members of the Body of Christ, are varied in background, culture, age and economic class. We are a welcoming parish consisting of longtime Catholics, new and returning Catholics and the young, all seeking knowledge of our faith, its teachings and traditions. We are a faith community empowered by the Holy Spirit and dedicated to helping others. We are committed to celebrate the sacramental life of the church; to listen, proclaim, practice, teach and evangelize the word of God; to minister to each other, the poor and those in need.

Parish Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm Parish Office: 973-696-4411 Religious Education: 973-696-4411

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We Invite You to Celebrate the Eucharist

Saturday Eve: 5:30 pm

Polish Mass: Every third Saturday of each month at 7:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00, 10:00 am, 12:00 noon & 7:00 pm (*Spanish Mass*)

Weekdays: Monday, 7:00 pm Tuesday - Friday, 8:00 am

Holy Days: Will be announced in the bulletin and from the pulpit.

Parish Membership

Our parish family invites all of its members to participate fully in our spiritual and social life. Every family moving into our parish is requested to register. Please contact the parish office for the form. If you are going to move to another parish or change your address, please notify the parish office.

Parish Staff

Fr. Artur Zaba, Pastor Fr. Martin Bradtke, Parochial Vicar frmartinbr@gmail.com Sr. Ellen Byrnes, F.S.P., Pastoral Associate Rev. Mr. Stephen Marabeti, Deacon Rev. Mr. Joseph Parlapiano, Deacon Mrs. JoAnn Caputo, Admin. Asst./Bookkeeper Mrs. Isabella Bubnick, Assistant Secretary Ms. Denise Dixon, Director of Music Mrs. Kathleen Miller, Director of Religious Education Mr. John Petracca, Maintenance Mr. Rich Williams, Maintenance

Novena: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction 6:30 pm followed by the Mass at 7:00 pm and Novena to our Lady of the Miraculous Medal every Monday.

Adoration: Every Tuesday from 8:30 am to 8:00 pm, every Wednesday and Thursday from 8:30-9:30 am.

The Sacrament of Baptism: The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on Sunday, with the exception of major holidays. Baptisms during Mass or at any other Time are to be arrange with the Pastor. A parent preparation program is held monthly. Parents are asked to contact the parish office for information about Baptisms two months in advance. Reconciliation: Saturday, 5:00 pm to 5:20 pm

Communion & Sick Calls: Anointing of the Sick is offered every third Sunday of the month after the noon Mass. When any member of your family becomes ill or is confined to the home and unable to come to the Celebration of the Eucharist, please contact the parish office so that arrangements can be made for Communion to be brought to the house. If it is an emergency situation, please call 973-974-0213.

Matrimony: Ideally, arrangements for weddings should be made at least one year in advance. Please contact the parish office to make arrangements.

Grief Ministry: Meets twice per year, mutual sharing and support in strictly confidential setting. Call Sr. Ellen at 973-696-4411.

CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

WORSHIP

Eucharistic Ministers Bonnie-Ann McLain 973-610-2014 Peggy Folenta 973-628-6773		
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Marriage Preparation

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Prayer Line		
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Stewardship		
Mary O'Reilly973-633-8009		
Warming Bee		
Antoinette VanWyck 973-694-1818		
Women of Faith		
Vicki Pignone201-410-6869		



MASS INTENTIONS & SCHEDULE

Saturday Sunday 12/24	5:30 PM 8:00 AM 10:00 AM 12:00 PM	Barbara Fratrich – Fam Mario Foti – P Folenta Ray Kerwin – J&D Roselli Angelina Cangralosi – G Krueger Sr. Eileen Halloran Walter Jaslanek – SJP
Christmas Eve	4:00 PM 4:30 PM	Pageant For the Living & Deceased
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Mass in	7:30 PM 9:00 PM	Fr. Philip LeBeau For the Living & Deceased
Polish	9.00 F W	Polish Community
Christmas	10:15 PM 8:00 AM	Fr. Dennis Hogan Kim-Michelle Garner –
Christinas	0.00 AW	B&M Murphy
Day	10:00 AM 12:00 PM	Anna Chyla (Healing) – Fr. Art Mario Foti – Fam
Tuesday Wednesday	8:00 AM 7 8:00 AM	Marie O'Reilly – M O'Reilly James Armisto – Abad Fam Antonio Misa
Thursday	8:00 AM	(Birthday Celebration) - Fam Mario DeLuca – P DeLuca Frank Joyce – Miller Fam
Friday	8:00 AM	In Thanksgiving for the
Saturday	5:30 PM	Successful Surgery Edward Fratrich – Emily & Sarah Betty Curcio (1 st Anniv) – U&G Daidone
Sunday	8:00 AM	Joan Bubnick – Fam
Mass in Polish	9:00 AM	For the Living & Deceased Polish Community
FUIISII	10:00 AM 12:00 PM	Bill Merihew – M Chisari Bishop Emeritus Arthur Serratelli – Health & God's Blessing

SHARING OUR TREASURE

December 17, 2023:	\$ (6,322
Christmas Flowers:	\$	174
Candles:	\$	152
Pennies:	\$	54
Attendance:		517

Where do you house what is most important to you? For the Chosen People, the Ark of the Covenant was the most important object they had. David concluded that it should be housed in a palace, not a tent. But God's perspective was different. For God, it was the house of David, his family line, that is, which was much more important than an object, no matter how sacred it was. Therefore, God blessed David's lineage, establishing a house, not for the ark, but for David. Perhaps that can be a lesson to us to view the people in our lives as more important than our possessions. Do we take more care of our loved ones than we do our precious belongings?



FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

First Reading: 2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16

King David plans to build a temple to honor God. But God tells Nathan the Prophet that instead he will give David rest from his enemies, and ensure that both his house and community will be protected forever.

Second Reading: Romans 16:25-27

In this letter of Paul to the Romans, he explains that the gospel reveals the mystery that had been hidden for many ages. Now it has been made known to all, so that they may believe, obey, and give glory through Jesus Christ forever.

Gospel: Luke 1:26-38

The Virgin Mary is approached by the angel Gabriel, who tells her that she has been chosen to bear the Son of God. Mary is first afraid, yet shows her unquestioning faith when she simply says, "Let it be done to me as you say."



Sunday 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Rom 16:25-27; Lk 1:26-38 Monday Vigil: Is 62:1-5; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25

Day: Is 52:1-5; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 of 1:18-25 Day: Is 52:7-10; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

Tuesday

Acts 6:8-10, 7:54-59; Mt 10:17-22

Wednesday 1 Jn 1:1-4; Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Thursday

1 Jn 1:5—2:2; Mt 2:13-18

Friday

1 Jn 2:3-11; Lk 2:22-35

Saturday 1 Jn 2:12-17; Lk 2:36-40

MEMORIALS

The sanctuary lamp will burn in loving memory of María Zaba ~ Linda Nazario



OFFICE CLOSING

The parish office will be closed Tuesday, December 26th. Have a blessed Christmas.

CHRISTMAS CONFESSION SCHEDULE:

Saturday, December 23rd – 4:30 pm Sunday, December 24th – 9 am, 11 am, & 1pm

DECEMBER LECTOR SCHEDULE

Dec 23/24	Dec 24
5:30 PM Ashley LoMonaco	4:30 PM Rob Colfin
8:00 AM Mary Boyle	7:30 PM Ashley LoMonaco
10:00 AM Tina Vatrano	10:15 PM Cristina Hucalla
12:00 PM Tony Rafael	
Dec 25	Dec 30/31
8:00 AM Paul DePinto	5:30 PM Gale Tedeschi
10:00 AM Liz O'Connell	8:00 AM Dan Blewitt
12:00 PM Tony Rafael	10:00 AM Maria Maggi
	12:00 PM Joyce Favorito
Jan 1	Maria Maggi
9:00 AM Mary Boyle	201.774.5544
7:00 PM Mary Ann Arney	nd79@otponline.net

CHURCH DECORATING

Thank you to our parishioners, Dede Duffy, Jim Hemmell, Linda Nazario, Diane West, Kathy Sepede, Marriane Ferraro, Joan Kerwin and Ursula Daidone for making our church beautiful for our Christmas season.





RELIGIOUS TEDUCATION

GRADES K – 4 Christmas Eve (No Class)

Dec 24Christmas Eve (No Class)Dec 31New Year's Eve (No Class)

Dec 27

For more information, please call 973.696.4411

GRADES 5 – 8

Christmas Break (No Class)

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THANK YOU FROM THE CHRISTAN SERVICE COMMITTEE

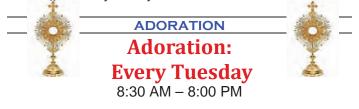
Our Christian Service Committee would like to thank the extremely generous parishioners who participated in our Nursing Home project. The Christian Service Committee collected





2024 CALENDARS

The 2024 calendars are available in the back of church; please take one. Once again we are grateful to Joe Lozito from Keri-Lozito Funeral Home for donating the calendars to our parish; may God continue to bless Joe for his generosity each year.



Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 8:30 – 9:30 AM God sees and God knows

SANTA BREAKFAST

On behalf of Santa and the parish, we would like to thank Kathy Miller, Tina Vatrano, Sr. Ellen, Rich Williams and our Confirmation students for making it a joyous occasion for the boys and girls in our parish.









CHRISTMAS APPRECIATION DINNER





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