

# 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: 973-694-4411

Fax: 973-305-8466 Convent: 973-696-4279 Email: stjoelp@optonline.net Parish Website: stjosephparishnj.org Facebook: @stjoelp

# 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. Dominik Bakowski, Pastor Sr. Ellen Byrnes, F.S.P., Pastoral Associate Rev. Mr. Stephen Marabeti, Deacon Rev. Mr. Joseph Parlapiano, Deacon Ms. JoAnn Caputo, Admin. Asst./Bookkeeper Ms. Denise Dixon, Music Director Mr. Rich Williams, Maintenance Mr. John Petracca, 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.

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, 4:30 pm to 5:00 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 ext. 12.

# CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

WORSHIP
Eucharistic Ministers
Bonnie-Ann McLain 973-610-2014
Peggy Folenta 973-628-6773
Lectors
Maria Maggi 201-774-5544
Altar Servers
Carla Danzi 973-452-2300
Ushers
Fr. Dominik Bakowski 973-696-4411
Music Ministry
Denise Dixon 973-590-9975
Cantors, Adult Choir, Echoes of Faith & Choristers
RELIGIOUS ED. / SACRAMENTAL PREP.
Religious Education
Sr. Ellen Byrnes, F.S.P 973-694-8289
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Youth	Ministry
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Dylan Anderson ymd.andersonst.josephs@gmail.com

#### Marriage Preparation

Fr. Dominik Bakowski	973-696-4411
Baptismal Preparation Deacon Joseph Parlapiano	973-696-4411
Confirmation Sr. Ellen Byrnes	973-696-4411 x12
PARISH SERVICE COMMITTE	ES
Baking, Parish Events	
Maria McMann	973-896-4353
Christian Service	
Walter Jaslanek	973-305-0232
Finance	
Fr. Dominik Bakowski	973-696-4411
Greeters	
Deanna Colaizzi	973-980-9811
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Lorraine Thierry LThierry	727@optonline.net
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Vinnie Mascelli ko	ofc5486@gmail.com

Lazarus Ministry	
Judy Mulhearn 973-696-4411	
Legion of Mary	
Cora Jackson 973-628-9010	
Media & Office Technology	
Walter Jaslanek 973-305-0232	
Our Lady of Fatima Devotional Group	
AnnMarie Abad973-931-4882	
Prayer Line	
Maria McMann 973-896-4353	
Social Activities	
Fundraiser/Social Activities	
Tina Vatrano 973-476-1228	
Stewardship	
Mary O'Reilly 973-633-8009	
Warming Bee	
Antoinette VanWyck 973-694-1818	
Women of Faith	
Vicki Pignone 201-410-6869	



# FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT 🗷 MARCH 27, 2022

#### **MASS INTENTIONS & SCHEDULE**

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Saturday	5:30 PM Carol Reiss – R&L Frick	
	Eleanore Arvidson – Clark Fam	
Sunday	8:00 AM Joan Byrnes – Fam	
	10:00 AM Rita Bastante – J&S Emolo	
	Constancne Bono – Bono Fam	
	12:00 PM Concetta "Connie" Matarazzo –	
	M Keresztury	
Spanish	7:00 PM For the Parish	
Monday	7:00 PM Maureen Lang – Fam	
Tuesday	8:00 AM Rosemary Asfour – Fam	
Wednesday	8:00 AM Ramon Cuevas – T Rafael	
Thursday	8:00 AM Joseph Spina – Lomakin Fam	
Friday	8:00 AM Jean Santoro – Fam	
Saturday	5:30 PM AI & Edie Belluardo –	
	C&E Corbiere	
	Carol Reiss – Miller Fam	
Sunday	8:00 AM Courtney Brightman &	
	Jamie Krautheim – D Brightman	
4/3/22	10:00 AM Carol Reiss – D Finnery	
	12:00 PM Kwiryn Wnuk – D&P Folenta	
Spanish	7:00 PM For the Parish	

#### SHARING OUR TREASURE

March 13, 2022: Ash Wednesday: Building Fund: Attendance:	\$ \$ \$	5,865 60 938 447
March 20, 2022: 2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection, Franciscan Sisters of Peace Candles: Poor Box: Attendance:	\$\$\$\$	6,969 2,039 260 85 532

Jesus presents a picture of God as the all-merciful one, the loving parent who forgives our every fault. The father forgives the son even before the son can apologize for what he had done.

God is always eager to reconcile with us. The father of the Prodigal Son reconciles with his son immediately, no questions asked. What matters is not how far we have turned away, but that God is always there to welcome us back. Celebrate and rejoice.

The father calls for a feast to be prepared to celebrate the safe return of his son. This is a common element in the Gospel of Luke, for food is a symbol for the bounty and goodness of God. Heaven is described as being a heavenly banquet.

How joyful will we be if our greatest enemy is pardoned by God?

#### ADDITIONAL LENTEN CONFESSIONS

Monday Evenings thru April 4<sup>th</sup> 6:00 – 7:00 PM and 7:30 – 8:30 PM



FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

#### First Reading: Joshua 5:9a, 10-12

Joshua and the Israelites celebrated Passover in Jericho. This was the first time they had eaten the produce of the promised land. After this, there was no more bread sent from heaven because they were able to eat the yield of the land.

#### Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:17-21

Paul tells us that anyone living in Jesus is a new creation because God has reconciled with us through Christ. As an ambassador for Jesus, Paul implores that the Corinthians be reconciled to God through Jesus.

#### Gospel: Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

The Pharisees grew disgusted with Jesus because of his compassion toward sinners. So Jesus told them a story of a son who squandered his inheritance. When a famine broke out, he returned home and asked his father to become a hired hand. His father instead welcomed him with a joyful celebration, just as God is overjoyed when a sinner returns to him.



**Sunday** Jos 5:9a, 10-12; 2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

**Monday** Is 65:17-21; Jn 4:43-54

**Tuesday** Ez 47:1-9, 12; Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday Is 49:8-15; Jn 5:17-30

**Thursday** Ex 32:7-14; Jn 5:31-47

**First Friday** Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

> **First Saturday** Jer 11:18-20; Jn 7:40-53



# COLUMBIETTES FISH AND CHIPS DINNER "TO GO"



The Bishop Navagh Columbiettes are holding a "TO GO" Fish & Chips fundraising dinner on Friday, April 8<sup>th</sup>. You can pick up your dinner from 5:00 to 6:30 PM at St. Joseph's Parking Lot. The dinner will be catered by

"Tastefully British". Cost is \$15 per dinner. Chicken, as well as fish, is available and must be specified when ordering. Advance purchase is required. Call Pat Fell at 973.696.2225 or Janet Taylor at 973.305.1249. Please support the charitable work of the Bishop Navagh Columbiettes.

# ST. JOSEPH'S ANNUAL BAKE SALE



Thank you to all our parish members who helped to make the St. Joseph Table and Bake Sale such a huge sell out success. The bakers and parishioners outdid themselves with all the delicious goodies donated for sale. The Stewardship

donated for sale. The Stewardship Committee organized the set up, sale and cleanup throughout the weekend. And most of all, thanks to everyone who unselfishly contributed to this worthy cause by buying all the treats. We made over \$1,400 to donate to those in need, including Ukraine. Our parish is so very lucky to have such generous members!

# MEET AND GREET RECEPTIONS



The Welcoming Meet & Greet Reception for New Parishioners will be held on **Sunday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 1:00 PM** in Room 10 in the Parish Center. Invitations from Fr. Dominik were

mailed to all new members of our parish. We are so glad to be able to resume this fellowship as we were not able to host the reception last year due to COVID. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet with some of the other new parishioners and be welcomed into the St. Joseph family. We hope to see you there!



Our annual Golf Outing will continue this year on **Monday, May 9th** at the **Balleyowen Golf Club**, Hamburg, NJ. Registration begins at **7:30 AM**. Shot-Gun Start approximately 9:00 AM. Cost is **\$160 per player** and includes: greens fees, cart, breakfast, dinner & gratuities and prizes. Sign up forms are in the back of church or contact Bob Reiss @ reiss402@optonline.net or 973.694.8951.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION			
	GRADES K-6		
Apr 3	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Class Mass		
Apr 10	Apr 10 Palm Sunday		
Apr 12	Apr 12 Last Day for Grades 5 & 6		
Apr 17	Easter – No Classes		
Apr 24	Instructional Mass – 1 <sup>st</sup> Communion		
CONFIRMATION PROGRAM GRADES 7-8			
Mar 30	Classes in School		
Apr 6	Classes in School		
Apr 13	Classes in School		
Apr 15 Good Friday – Confirmation Students			
· ·	Stations of the Cross		
Apr 17	Easter Sunday		
Apr 20	Apr 20 No Classes – Spring Break		
Apr 27	Presentation in Hall		

#### **ENGLISH & SPANISH STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

	The following Stations of the Cross will be celebrated every Friday of Lent:	
4/1	Stations of the Cross Stations of the Cross (Spanish)	7:30PM 8:00PM
4/8	Stations of the Cross Stations of the Cross (Spanish)	7:30PM 8:00PM
4/15	Stations of the Cross (Confirmation) Stations of the Cross (Spanish- School)	7:30PM 8:00PM

#### **RICE BOWLS**

DRIVEN BY A DREAM Malnutrition is widespread in Rwanda, but Gloriose and her husband are doing everything they can to keep their children healthy and set them up for success. From learning to grow a kitchen garden to participating in a micro-savings group, Gloriose and Karekezi know it takes many resources to help their children thrive. How have you helped others access what they need this Lent? Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.

# **RICE BOWL SUNDAY**

Rice Bowls will be collected on Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup> and on Good Friday, April 15<sup>th</sup>. A box will be in the back of church marked for the Rice Bowl collection. *Please make a check payable to St. Joseph Church or submit cash for the amount you collected in your bowl.* (<u>NO</u> <u>COINS PLEASE!!</u>) Thank you.

MARCH LECTOR SCHEDULE		
March 26/27	Contact:	
5:30 PM Ellen Corbiere	Maria Maggi	
8:00 AM Mary Boyle	201-774-5544	
10:00 AM Tina Vatrano	nd79@optonline.net	
12:00 PM Mark Karrs	-	

## SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION TOOK PLACE THIS WEEKEND WITH CHILDREN IN OUR PARISH

# JESUS DAY

The **2**<sup>nd</sup> **graders** had a mini-retreat day in preparation for **1st Communion.** They learned all about the Last Supper and how Jesus shared bread during the Passover meal. The day culminated with each child making bread to share and bring home.





#### **GRAINS OF HOPE**

The students in the **8**<sup>th</sup> **grade** were involved is a service project [Grains of Hope] as they prepare to receive **Confirmation.** They helped pack meals for the people of Ukraine thus giving of self so that others may survive. It was an opportunity for them to follow Jesus' command to help those in need.





More people are taking advantage of our expanded hours of Adoration, every Tuesday from 8:30 AM to Midnight.

Please come and experience this wonderful Gift for yourself.

"In a world where there is so much noise, there is need for silent adoration of Jesus concealed in the Host."

Pope Benedict XVI

# **METANOIA PROGRAM**

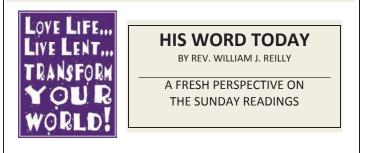
Paul DeLuca is hosting a presentation called Metanoia which was produced by Fr. Dave Pivonka, the President of Franciscan University. The meetings are held every Thursday in Halloran Hall and will run from 6:30 – 8:00 PM. There is no need to sign up, just come and join the fun!

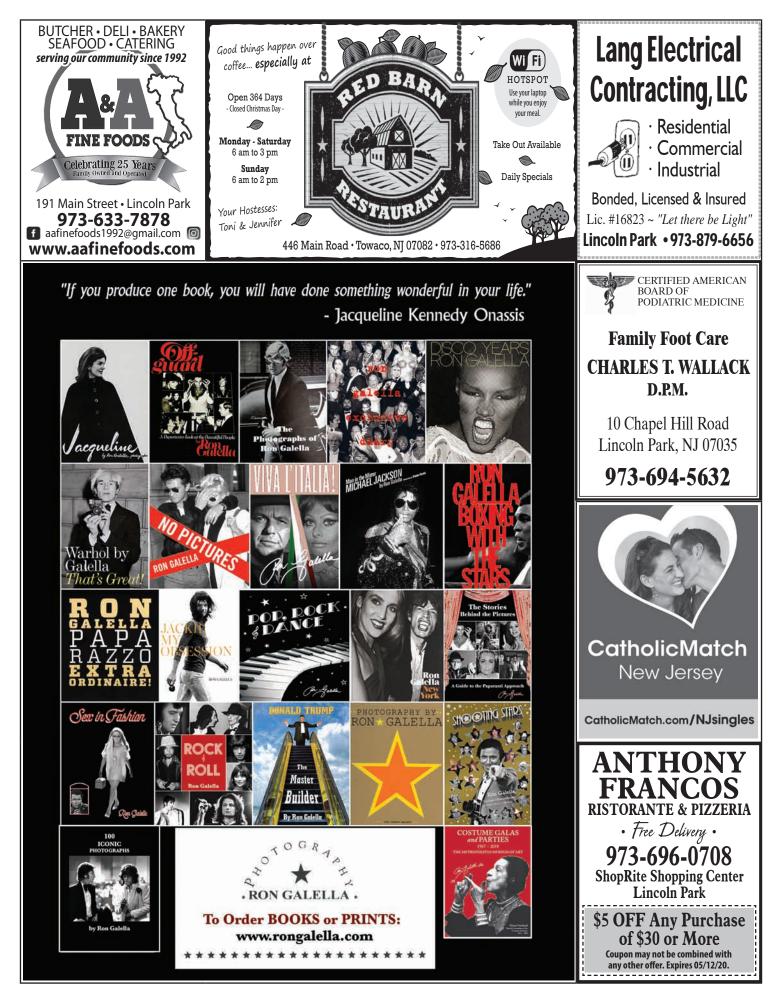
#### WOMEN OF FAITH

Women of Faith's last two meetings will be on the following Thursdays in the *Chapel at OLGC at 7:30 PM* – *March 31<sup>st</sup> and April 7<sup>th</sup>*. Join us as we reflect on the Sunday Mass readings with our Lenten Longings program from Renew International. Seeing with God's Eyes - an invitation to see ourselves, one another and our world with the eyes of God.

# FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

"And all this is from God, who has reconciled us to himself through Christ and given us the ministry of reconciliation, namely, God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ not counting their trespasses against them and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation... We are ambassadors for Christ... We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God."





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