



# SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

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**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 x10    **Religious Education:** 973-696-4411 x13  
**Fax:** 973-305-8466    **Convent:** 973-696-4279    **Email:** stjoepl@optonline.net    **Parish Website:** stjosephparishnj.org    **Facebook:** @stjoepl

## 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**  
**Fr. Martin Bradtke, Assistant Priest**  
*frmartinbr@gmail.com*  
**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**  
**Mrs. Kathleen Miller, Director of Religious Education**  
**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.

**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 arranged 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  
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### RELIGIOUS ED. / SACRAMENTAL PREP.

#### Religious Education

Mrs. Kathleen Miller ----- 973-696-4411 x15

#### Youth Ministry

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 COMMITTEES

#### Baking, Parish Events

Maria McMann ----- 973-896-4353

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#### Christian Service

Walter Jaslanek ----- 973-305-0232

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Judy Mulhearn ----- 973-696-4411

### Legion of Mary

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### Our Lady of Fatima Devotional Group

AnnMarie Abad ----- 973-931-4882

### Prayer Line

Maria McMann ----- 973-896-4353

### Stewardship

Mary O'Reilly ----- 973-633-8009

### Warming Bee

Antoinette VanWyck ----- 973-694-1818

### Women of Faith

Vicki Pignone ----- 201-410-6869



# FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT ✧ NOVEMBER 27, 2022

## MASS INTENTIONS & SCHEDULE

Saturday	5:30 PM	Ted Nochta – Camille & Mark Maude Bonomolo – C&C Hunziker
Sunday	8:00 AM	Ron Nazario – J Petracca & L Moeller
	10:00 AM	Robert & Kelly Byrne – Fam Felix Terrero (7 <sup>th</sup> Anniv) G Mas
	12:00 PM	Lorraine Montera – L Chaves Lila DeLuca – D&P Folenta Elena Nicholas – R&L Frick
Monday	7:00 PM	Karen Welter – W Arvidson Felix Terrero (7 <sup>th</sup> Anniv) – Mas Mario DeLuca – Fam
Tuesday	8:00 AM	Margaret Parlapiano - FSP
Wednesday	8:00 AM	Marcelino Nazareno – Abad Fam
Thursday	8:00 AM	Maria Fryca – E Karpinska
Friday	8:00 AM	Lorraine Montera – Sr. Ellen
Saturday	5:30 PM	Rowland Hubbard – C&D Cleary Pat Bolognini – C Osborne
Sunday	8:00 AM	Darren Siker – L Thierry
<b>12/4/22</b>	10:00 AM	Ron Nazario – R&M Gilmour Mark & Bethany Cox – J&D Hughes
	12:00 PM	Elena Nicholas – R&M Doyle Rowland Hubbard – W Arvidson & K Bower



## FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

### First Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5

The words of Isaiah urge all people to forsake war and to live in peace forever. The tone reaches a climax in the words, "One nation shall not raise the sword against another, nor shall they train for war again."

### Second Reading: Romans 13:11-14

Paul invites us to put away all the things of darkness and sin and to prepare for the coming of Christ.

### Gospel: Matthew 24:37-44

A comparison is made between the destruction caused by the flood in Noah's time and the need to be prepared for the second coming of Christ. "You must be prepared in the same way. The Son of Man is coming at the time you least expect."

## SHARING OUR TREASURE

***Due to an early holiday deadline by the publication company, the "Sharing Our Treasure" will be published in the December 4, 2022 bulletin.***

Even this year, when Advent begins as early as it possibly can, it still doesn't arrive before the deluge of Christmas music, decorations, and advertisements already inundates us – not to mention the biggest shopping day of the year this past Friday. But today's Gospel provides us with a bracing counterpoint to this premature merriment. There'll be no parties in anticipation of the apocalypse!

Pondering the Second Coming, no matter how unlikely it seems at any given time, serves to focus our minds on what is truly important. What if you knew you had only a year to live? Or a month? Or a day? If Judgment Day was on the horizon, how would you spend what little time you had remaining? It is important to remember that we simply do not know how much time we have. Therefore, we must always be prepared. We must live today as if it were the last day of our lives.



### Sunday

Is 2:1-5; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

### Monday

Is 4:2-6; Mt 8:5-11

### Tuesday

Is 11:1-10; Lk 10:21-24

### Wednesday

Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22

### Thursday

Is 26:1-6; Mt 7:21, 24-27

### First Friday

Is 29:17-24; Mt 9:27-31

### First Saturday

Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

## MEMORIALS

The sanctuary lamp will burn in loving memory of  
*Alberto Celleri*



## CHRISTIAN SERVICE PROJECTS



### GIVING TREE:

Our "Giving Tree" Christmas project will begin this weekend, **November 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>**. We will provide gift cards for adults and adolescents, and focus on gifts for younger children. Ornaments will be available on display boards in the rear of the church. There will be display boards and sign-out books on *both* sides of the church to enable us to maintain social distancing. *Please sign your name and phone number in the book next to the corresponding gift number on the ornament you choose.*

We ask for all gifts to be returned **with the ornament attached to the gift** the weekend of **December 11<sup>th</sup>**. It is helpful to return gift cards in a small gift bag, if possible. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Mary Bono (973.696.9713) or Lois Moeller (201.572.1646). Cash donations are also welcome.

Thank you and God bless you for your continued generosity.



### NURSING HOME:

The Christmas season is fast approaching, and once again through the generosity of the parishioners at St. Joseph's Church, the Christian Service Committee will be collecting gifts for the residents of the *Lincoln Park Nursing Home*. Most of these residents would not receive gifts at Christmas if it were not for our parish. Our list of gift suggestions are:

*Men: socks, slippers and Tee-shirts (L, XL, 2XL)  
Women: socks, slippers, lounge pants, toiletry bags & items such as dental items, deodorant, moisturizer, hand cream, etc.*

Gifts should be returned **wrapped and labeled (man or woman and what's inside)** and placed on the windowsills in church. All gifts should be returned by Sunday, **December 12<sup>th</sup>**. Any questions, call Meg Williams at 973.696.7090.

### 2022 DIOCESAN MINISTRIES APPEAL "ONE BODY IN CHRIST"

As we plan to come together to celebrate Thanksgiving, let's count our blessings and remember those who may be in difficult circumstances. Every year, tens of thousands of people in great need in our Diocese seek out the services of our Catholic Charities and, with the help of the Diocesan Ministries Appeal, they find an open door and a faith-filled welcome. Your gift to the Appeal helps make such response possible. Please participate in the Diocesan Ministries Appeal if you have not yet done so. For your convenience, you can make an online gift or pledge at [www.2022appeal.org](http://www.2022appeal.org).

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

### GRADES K-6

Nov 27	Thanksgiving Recess (NO CLASSES)
Dec 4	Sign-up for pageant – K – 4
Dec 8	Feast of the Immaculate Conception
Dec 11	Grade 6 Class Mass
Dec 25	Christmas (NO CLASS)
Dec 28	NO CLASSES

For more information, please call 973.696.4411.

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



Every Tuesday  
8:30 AM – 8:00 PM

#### Ways to Spend an Hour with Jesus:

Because Christ himself is present in the sacrament of the altar, he is to be honored with the worship of adoration. "To visit the Blessed Sacrament is...proof of gratitude, an expression of love, and a duty of adoration toward Christ our Lord" (Paul VI, *MF 66*).

*"Love Jesus, love Him very much, but to do this, be ready to love sacrifice more."*

*St. Padre Pio*

### NOVEMBER LECTOR SCHEDULE

November 26 & 27		Maria Maggi nd79@optonline.net 201.774.5544
5:30 PM	Ellen Corbiere	
8:00 AM	Maria Maggi	
10:00 AM	Tina Vatrano	
12:00 PM	Christina Hucalla	

### MASS FOR DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE COLUMBIETTES AND KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Father Martin Bradtke will be saying Mass for our deceased members at St. Joseph Church on Wednesday, November 30, 2022 at 7 PM. The families and friends of our deceased members are invited to come and honor those Knights and Columbiettes who have given of themselves and are no longer with us.

### BLUE BOOKS FOR ADVENT

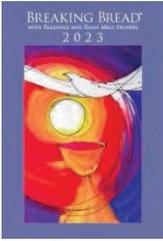


Each year, our parish offers the **Blue Books** to the parishioners. They are to be used during the Advent Season. Each day there is a little thought or spiritual lesson for the day. These short reflections require about 5 minutes and move us day by day to the feast of Christmas.

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## NEW BREAKING BREAD BOOKS

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The new 2023 Breaking Bread Books are here! In addition to the Readings, the new books contain the Daily Mass Propers (grayed area of book).

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## THANK YOU FROM LITTLE OF THE SISTERS OF THE POOR

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“On behalf of the Little Sisters of the Poor and our residents, here at St. Joseph’s Home for the Elderly, I would like to thank you and your parishioners for your generous donation of \$2,520. We truly appreciate the friendship and support from you and your parish community to the Little Sisters mission of serving the elderly. May God bless you all.

We will keep you and your parishioners in our daily prayers. Monthly Masses are also offered in all our Homes throughout the world for the intentions of our Friends and Benefactors.”

Gratefully yours,

Mother Mary Thomas, Isp  
Little Sister of the Poor

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## NATIONAL DONOR MONTH

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### An Interfaith Celebration of Life and Thanksgiving

The month of November, normally associated with giving thanks, is also home to **National Donor Sabbath**. This awareness month marks a special time across the country when clergy and their congregations unite to help spread the word about the gift of life. Religious leaders around the state are encouraged to address the importance of registering to be an organ and tissue donor. Many faith leaders also recognize that there are members within their own congregations who have been touched by organ and tissue donation or are in need of a life-saving transplant. Throughout November, information regarding organ and tissue donation from the NJ Sharing Network will be on the tables in back of church. NJ Sharing Network works year-round to educate New Jersey residents about the critical need for more organ and tissue donors. May your faith fill you with compassion to donate the gift of life. Please register online today at [www.njsharingnetwork.org](http://www.njsharingnetwork.org). **Pope Francis has said that 'Organ donation is a testimony of love for our neighbour'.**

Stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come.

Matthew 24:42

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## BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

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St. Joseph Parish will be hosting a breakfast with Santa on **Saturday, December 17<sup>th</sup> from 9 AM – 1 PM**. We will be serving bagels, donuts, hot chocolate, coffee for adults, crafts and games. Cost is \$5 per person for breakfast. A signup sheet is in the back of church.

## Christmas Flowers

We will once again be memorializing the poinsettia plants that beautify our church for Christmas. Donations may be made in memory of a relative or friend; in honor of someone living; or in thanksgiving to God. The names of those making the donations and those being remembered will be published in the Sunday bulletin after Christmas, unless the donor prefers to remain anonymous. Please complete the form below and place it in the collection basket. You may also use the envelope included in your packet, but please be sure to mark the back with your intention.



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## OUR LADY OF MAGNIFICAT CHRISTMAS CONCERT

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OLM Church in Kinnelon will be hosting a Christmas Concert on Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM. Tickets are \$35 for Adults and \$20 for Students. To purchase tickets, visit [olmchurch.org/annual-christmas-concert](http://olmchurch.org/annual-christmas-concert) or contact John & Janine Minardi at 973-838-2701 or email at [OLMChristmasconcert@gmail.com](mailto:OLMChristmasconcert@gmail.com)



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