

The Community of St. Joseph the Worker
510 Narragansett Avenue, East Patchogue, New York 11772-5132
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time—January 24, 2021



ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER IS SERVED BY
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MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Friday: 9:00 AM –IN CHURCH
SATURDAY 8:00 AM in English
5:30 pm English and
7:00pm Spanish in Church
Sunday 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am and 5:00pm in Church
9:30 MASS is *live streamed on Facebook*

RECONCILIATION Monday through Friday at
8:40am and 4:00 pm on Saturday

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Every Friday of every month after the 9AM mass

Baptisms are the third and fourth Saturday of the month. Please call the office for an appointment.

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Friday 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM
Saturday 9:30 AM through 12:30 PM

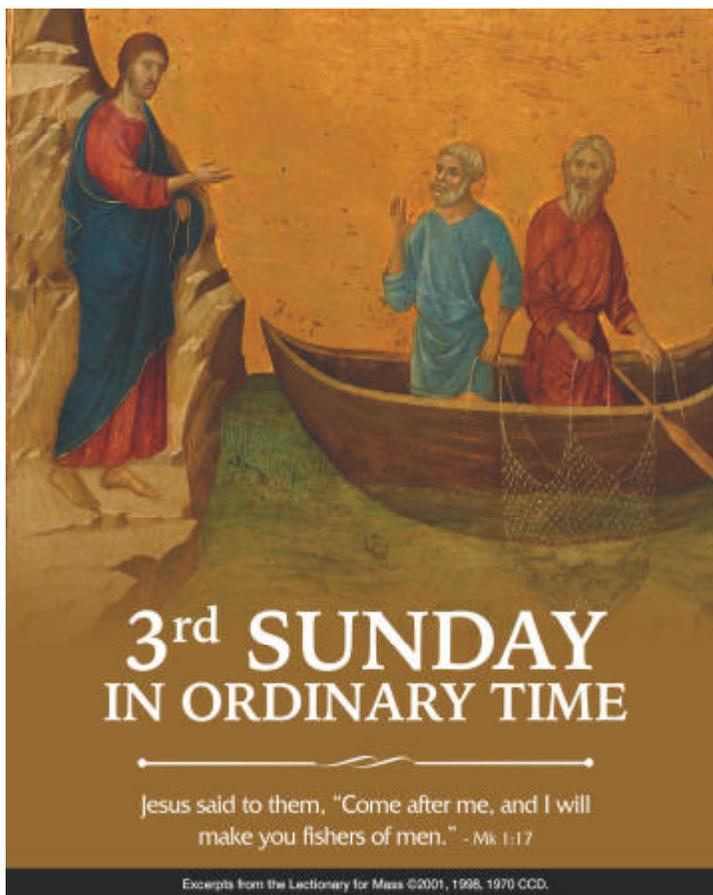
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Parish Mission Statement

"We, the parish family of St. Joseph the Worker, are called to be a Christ-centered community seeking to renew our lives through conversion and spiritual growth.

By the power of the Holy Spirit, we strive to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ by word, worship, welcome and service. By the Word of God, we encourage and strengthen one another through prayer, education, outreach and evangelization."



Readings for the week of January 24, 2021

Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [4a]/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20
 Monday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/Mk 16:15-18
 Tuesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10 [3]/Mk 3:31-35
 Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mk 4:1-20
 Thursday: Heb 10:19-25/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/Mk 4:21-25
 Friday: Heb 10:32-39/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 23-24, 39-40 [39a]/Mk 4:26-34
 Saturday: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75 [cf. 68]/Mk 4:35-41
 Next Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 [8]/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28

Observances for the week of January 24, 2021

Sunday: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Monday: The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle
 Tuesday: Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops
 Wednesday: St. Angela Merici, Virgin
 Thursday: St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church
 Friday:
 Saturday: BVM
 Next Sunday: 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catholic Schools Week



Saturday January 23, 2021
 8:00 A.M. (d) Rev. Msgr. Thomas D. Candreva
 5:30 P.M. For Parishioners of St. Joseph the Worker
 7:00 P.M. Pastors Intentions

Sunday January 24, 2021
 8:00 A.M. (d) Rev. Msgr. Thomas L. Spadaro
 9:30 A.M. (d) Eileen Kelly
 11:00 A.M. (d) Rogelio Jacob
 (d) MaryAnne Avellino
 5:00 P.M. (d) Rev. Joseph C. Coschignano
 (d) Anthony Palestino

Monday January 25, 2021
 9:00 A.M. (d) Rev. Msgr. John A. Alesandro

Tuesday January 26, 2021
 9:00 A.M. (d) Eileen Kelly

Wednesday January 27, 2021
 9:00 A.M. (d) Louisa E. Toronto

Thursday January 28, 2021
 9:00 A.M. (d) Agnes & Joan Hughes

Friday January 29, 2021
 9:00 A.M. (d) Rev. Msgr. Joseph C Coschignano

Saturday January 30, 2021
 8:00 A.M. Rev. Msgr. Thomas L. Spadaro
 7:00 P.M. Pastors Intentions

Sunday January 31, 2021
 8:00 A.M. (d) Rev. Msgr. John A. Alesandro
 9:30 A.M. Rev. Msgr. Thomas D. Candreva
 11:00 A.M. (d) Rogelio Jacob
 5:00 P.M. For Parishioners of St. Joseph the Worker

REMEMBER ME INTENTION

An offering for the Bread and Wine for the weekend of January 23rd and 24th has been made for Deceased members of St. Joseph the Worker

An offering for the bread and wine for the week of January 25th through January 29th has been made for Ann & Anthony Iorio



From pastor's desk on the 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, year B

With the rise of modern psychology many people seek the so-called self-fulfillment or self-realization. The problem with that is that most of the time we do not even know what makes us fulfilled or self-realized. Very often we achieve the desired goal, but we end up being greatly disillusioned. In reality, we do not know what really is good for us and what makes us whole. Moreover, it is not uncommon that the human need for self-fulfillment quickly turns into selfishness. God's commandments and fraternal charity are laid aside and it becomes all about "me" and "my happiness." In consequence, many people become miserable and restless or they plunge into hedonism and stifle the deepest longing of human heart—the longing for God.

Viktor Frankl, a well-known Austrian psychiatrist and holocaust survivor, wrote a book entitled "*Man's search for meaning*." Currently, it is a classic of existential psychology. In this book, Frankl describes his experience of the concentration camp and the horror of war, but he also shares his thoughts on the role of faith and spirituality in human life. Frankl observed that people had a better chance of survival and sanity, if they believed in God. Those people who had strong faith were much better equipped to deal with the horrific reality surrounding them. They also could see a deeper meaning to their suffering and a purpose of life that went beyond this world.

I am sharing this example with you, for this Sunday our Lord Jesus calls us to deeper way of life. We see how the Lord by entering human life provides purpose and meaning for every human being. Hence, there are two important utterances of Jesus in this Sunday's gospel that go against the spirit of this world fixated on self-fulfillment. In the first utterance we hear Jesus calling people to repentance: "*The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel.*" In the second, our Lord calls the first disciples to follow Him: "*Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men.*"

The first announcement of Jesus is a wakeup call. If people want to see the Messiah and enter His Kingdom, they need to repent. In other words, people must turn away from their sins, which consist of evil deeds and deceitful thoughts. However, repentance is impossible without faith. It is faith in God that makes one want to change. So, when Jesus is calling people to repentance, He ultimately is calling them to have faith in God. Repentance is only a necessary step in the growth of faith. To translate that to our lives today, we need to see how our faith shapes our motivation and choices. If I truly believe in God, my life cannot be the same as that of the world. Otherwise I will be like those who follow Jesus out of curiosity but eventually turned away from Him, for they lacked faith in Christ as the Son of God.

In the second utterance our Lord invites His first disciples to leave everything they knew up to this point and join Him on an unexpected journey. Their response is immediate with no regret and no turning back. It is a journey of the apostles, that is, the messengers of the Good News. As we know how the story develops, the apostles are entrusted with the preaching of the Kingdom of God to the entire world. In this way, they find fulfillment in their lives while forgetting their personal needs and focusing only on the Lord Jesus who becomes their Way, their Truth, and their Life.

Our Lord Jesus calls each one of us by name and He knows what we are capable of. Let us pray that we too may be courageous to follow Christ whenever He calls us to a specific vocation or mission in the Church. For serving the Church—the Mystical Body of Christ—we will serve all peoples of the world and advance the coming of the Kingdom.

Have a blessed week! Fr. Janusz MocarSKI, pastor

The Conversion of Saint Paul the Apostle Feast day January 25

St. Paul the Apostle was the greatest of the early Christian missionaries. He first appears in the Acts of the Apostles under the name of Saul. Saul was raised in the Jewish faith as a Pharisee trained in the strict observance of God's Law. He believed the Law should be obeyed by himself and all Jews. Saul was upset by the early Christian Church, believing that the early Christians had broken away from their Jewish traditions. He actively persecuted the Church in Jerusalem. As the first Christian martyr Stephen was being stoned to death, Saul watched the cloaks of the persecutors (Acts 7:58).

Paul then traveled to Damascus to further persecute early Christians. On the road to Damascus Saul had an encounter with the Risen Jesus Christ (Acts of the Apostles 9:1–19, Galatians 1: 13–14). Jesus asked, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?" Paul replied, "Who are you, sir?" Jesus responded, "I am Jesus whom you are persecuting" (Acts 9: 4 – 5). Jesus then sent Saul into Damascus to wait for further instructions. Saul was shaken and blinded by the experience. When a Christian named Ananias came and baptized Saul, his blindness went away. As a result of this encounter Saul became a follower of Christ. He was now convinced that fellowship with the risen Jesus Christ, not the observance of the Law, was all that was needed to receive God's promise of salvation. (Galatians 1:11–12; 3:1–5)

Saul, whose name now became Paul, went to Jerusalem to consult with Peter (Galatians 1: 18). After his first missionary journeys, Paul was called by Jesus to proclaim the Gospel to the Gentiles. He spent the rest of his life journeying on his missions, establishing local churches, and writing to them when he heard of their accomplishments and failures. Paul's letters are the earliest records of the life and history of the early Church. As inspired by the Holy Spirit Paul's letters are part of the Canon of the New Testament. As a record of the happenings in the early Church they are in invaluable record of the expansion of the Christianity.

St. Paul's Writings

All together, there are 13 epistles that bear Paul's name as the author. However, scholars do not believe that he wrote them all. Paul himself was the author of first and second Thessalonians, Galatians, Philippians, first and second Corinthians, Romans, and Philemon. The epistles to the Ephesians, Colossians, Titus, and first and second Timothy bear Paul's name, but it is believed that they were written after his death. The writers of these letters were disciples of Paul who wanted to continue his teaching. Whoever the authors of these epistles were, these writings have been accepted into the New Testament as inspired by the Holy Spirit.

Centrality of Jesus Christ

The most profound and moving day in Paul's life was when he met the risen Jesus Christ. Paul was well respected by the Jewish community and his peers. But he gave it all up for Christ. "More than that, I even consider everything as a loss because of the supreme good of knowing Jesus Christ my Lord." (Philippians 3:8) Jesus Christ, Paul realized, was sent by the Father to bring salvation for all. Paul taught that we are united with Christ in faith and Baptism; "We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life." (Romans 6:4)

On the personal level, individual Christians recognize that when they are united with and justified by Christ, they receive the grace needed to overcome sin and to live moral lives. (Galatians 5:16–26)

Justification

Paul teaches that the justice of God was saving justice at its best. God is faithful, fulfilling the promises made in the Old Testament covenant. Through the sin of Adam and Eve the human family was alienated from God. Through Christ the human family is called back into relationship with God. This process of reuniting the human family with God is called justification. (Romans 3:21–31) It is impossible for us to justify ourselves; we are only justified by being united in faith with Jesus Christ and by accepting the gift of grace won by Christ. (Romans 5:1–2) We can only be made right with God and set free from a life of immoral living by accepting the gift of God's reconciling grace.

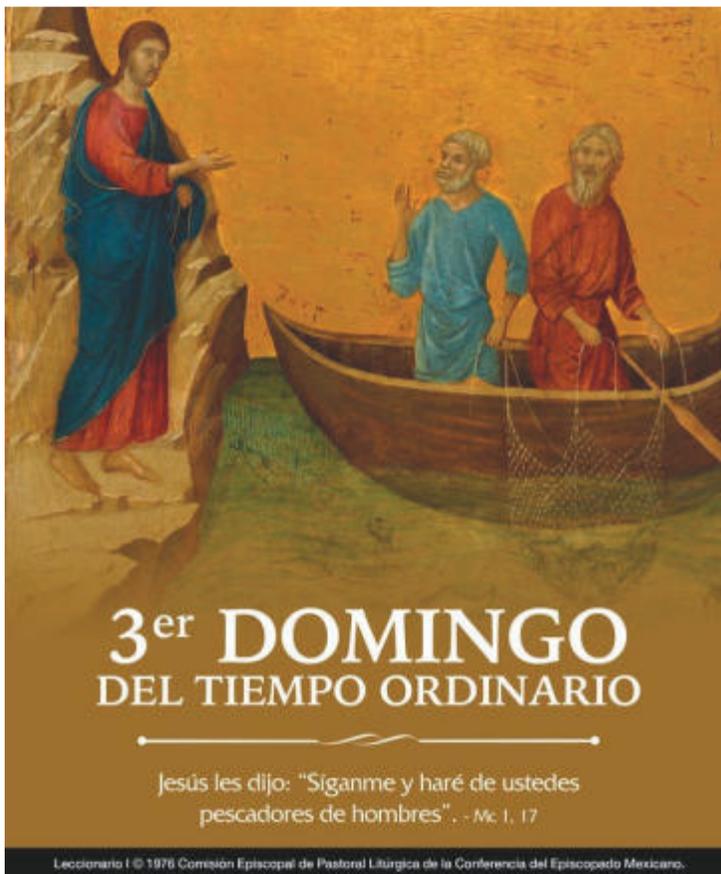
Life in the Spirit

Paul teaches that the love of God is being poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit. (Romans 5:5) The Holy Spirit is the source of all love. The Holy Spirit creates a bond between us and God like children bound to a father. (Romans 8:14–16) The Holy Spirit not only establishes our relationship with the Father. Even though we are weak, the Holy Spirit helps us to live faithfully within that relationship. (Romans 8:26–27) It is through the Holy Spirit that we can live in love with all people. (1 Corinthians 13:3–7)

The Moral Life

What does it mean to live a Christian moral life? Paul thought deeply about this question. He was raised as a faithful Jew. As we have seen Paul, was raised to believe that following the strict moral code of the Jewish faith was the way to salvation. Paul believed "... the law is holy, and the commandment is holy and righteous and good." (Romans 7:12.) What Paul realized, however, that because we are weakened by the sin of Adam and Eve, it was impossible to us to reconnect in our relationship with God through our efforts alone (Romans 7:14).

After his experience with Jesus Christ, Paul realized that he was not alone on the road to salvation. Jesus Christ has already accomplished salvation for us. In faith and Baptism, Christians receive the grace of the Holy Spirit, who is our constant guide. The Holy Spirit helps us to live in relationship with God and others.



Grupos

Jóvenes, Teenagers (13 a 18 años).

Viernes 6:30 p.m. en el sótano de la iglesia. Bienvenidos para alegrarse y fortalecerse con la presencia de Dios en diferentes actividades. Informes con el hermano

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Cristo Vive, (18 a 35 años) Domingos a las 6:00 p.m. en el sótano de la iglesia. Bienvenidos para participar de una serie de experiencias inolvidables en la presencia de Dios. Informes con la hermana Fátima Asencio o el hermano Franklin Arévalo.

La Sagrada Familia, Lunes a las 7p.m. **SUSPENDIDO** hasta el mes de Febrero. Gracias por su comprensión

La **despensa de alimentos (Food Pantry)** su nuevo horario para recibir donaciones es de Lunes a Jueves entre las 11 am y 12 del Mediodía

Las lecturas de la semana del 24 de enero de 2021

Domingo: Jon 3, 1-5. 10/Sal 24, 4-5. 6-7. 8-9 [4]/1 Cor 7, 29-31/Mc 1, 14-20
 Lunes: Hch 22, 3-16 o Hch 9, 1-22/Sal 116, 1. 2 [Mc 16, 15]/Mc 16, 15-18
 Martes: 2 Tm 1, 1-8 o Tit 1, 1-5/Sal 95, 1-2. 2-3. 7-8. 10 [3]/Mc 3, 31-35
 Miércoles: Heb 10, 11-18/Sal 109, 1. 2. 3. 4 [4]/Mc 4, 1-20
 Jueves: Heb 10, 19-25/Sal 23, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6 [cfr. 6]/Mc 4, 21-25
 Viernes: Heb 10, 32-39/Sal 36, 3-4. 5-6. 23-24. 39-40 [39]/Mc 4, 26-34
 Sábado: Heb 11, 1-2. 8-19/Lc 1, 69-70. 71-72. 73-75 [cfr. 68]/Mc 4, 35-41
 Domingo siguiente: Dt 18, 15-20/Sal 94, 1-2. 6-7. 7-9 [8]/1 Cor 7, 32-35/Mc 1, 21-28

Las conmemoraciones de la semana del 24 de enero de 2021

Domingo: 3er Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
 Lunes: La conversión de San Pablo, el apóstol
 Martes: San Timoteo y San Tito, obispos
 Miércoles: Santa Ángela de Mérici, virgen
 Jueves: San Tomás de Aquino, sacerdote y doctor de la Iglesia
 Viernes:
 Sábado: BVM
 Domingo siguiente: 4º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario; Semana de las Escuelas Católicas



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 1 Division Street, Patchogue, New York
 Virtual Open House and Registration Beginning
 January 31, 2021

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 Main Office at 631-475-0422

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HAITI MISSION 2020

This being my third mission trip to Haiti, I can tell you how grateful and appreciative the people of Haiti are for all of your support and generosity. You, the parishioners of St. Joseph the Worker have once again helped in so many ways for us to complete the many projects that were planned.

With the enthusiastic help from the many Haitian workers, we were able to build 60 houses and 50 latrines. This involved the cutting, transportation/delivery of the materials to the remote sites, as well as the construction of each house and latrine. This year, for the first time, we added another step to this process. To help extend the life expectancy of the exterior walls, we applied a semi-transparent stain to all of the houses built. We shipped 31 five gallon containers of this stain months prior to our trip. The stain we applied should add several more years of life to the exterior wood.

Although our medical team was short-staffed this year, they were still able to care for over 1000 Haitians, ranging from newborn to the elderly. Their medical conditions are so varied, with many being critical and life threatening.

We also distributed donated clothing and shoes to hundreds of people. Evangelization programs for approximately 300 children and young adults were provided by many of our young volunteers and the Brothers that accompanied our mission. Along with celebrating 50 Baptisms, our Priests and Brother's made many home visits to the sick and dying.

Once again, this year we distributed over 60,000 pounds of food, consisting of rice, beans, pasta and cooking oil to over 2400 Haitian families.

Your donations this year also helped to expand the size of the gardens which produce different varieties of fruits and vegetables. Five Tilapia pools are in the construction stages, one of which is already completed.

Although we accomplished so much during this visit, the mission continues throughout the year. Every week, at least 12 barrels of donated and purchased goods/supplies are shipped to Haiti.

Again, I want to thank each and every one of you for your very generous donations, words of encouragement and prayers. You certainly make this all possible.

A very special thank you to Fr. Janusz and Fr. Charlince for their support, encouragement and prayers.

If you would like more information about our mission, I would be very happy to hear from you. God Bless you all.

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RCIA- Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Do you know someone who desires to become
a Catholic ?

The RCIA program might be just what they are
looking for. For further information
please call the Faith Formation Office. This
introduction to our faith can be
started at any time during the year.

ADULT CONFIRMATION

We will again be offering our 13 week program to prepare adults (those 18 yrs. or older) who have not received the sacrament of Confirmation and wish to do so. The program runs during the seasons of Lent and Easter to assist the candidate to grow in his/her relationship with Jesus Christ so as to receive the sacrament of Confirmation on Pentecost Sunday, May 23, 2021. This year again the program will be expanded to include confirmed parishioners *who desire to grow deeper in his/her relationship with God.* We will refer to these people as the “*curious*” – meaning, eager to know or learn something.

The *Candidates* and *Curious* will journey together to answer the overarching question: “*What does it mean to be a disciple of Jesus Christ as a member of the Roman Catholic Church?*” Through presentations, discussions, readings, and reflections, the candidates and curious will be given the tools to encounter the God of love and mercy in the beauty of life. After receiving the sacrament of Confirmation, the candidate will be fully initiated into the Catholic Church and with the curious will have been prepared to continue to strive for holiness as s/he continues on the path of life.

The Sessions will be held 7:30PM-8:30PM beginning the week of February 15th. Which day of the week is to be determined. Tuesday? All interested *must* be registered. To do so call the *Faith Formation office*, whose number is in the bulletin. And leave your *e-mail address* as (*due to Covid we will take advantage of Zoom.*)

Questions? Call the office and ask for Charlotte Kelly to get back to you.

Ramp Update

The ramp project is proceeding along, the contractor has been chosen it is, Elmer L. Henn Inc., from Bethpage.

Total pledges are:	\$ 338,837.00
Total Paid to date:	\$148,164.00
Balance due:	\$190,673.00
Number of pledges:	172
Grant from the O’Toole Foundation	\$65,000.00

Cost to date for work to be done:

Ramp	\$165,000.00
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Bathrooms	\$100,000.00
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this is for four bathrooms—having a bathroom upstairs by the entrance of the church, and for the work to be done on the bathrooms downstairs and part of the women's bathroom will be separate and will be in compliance with the **Americans with Disabilities Act.**

We are hoping tin the future if here is extra money left over, it will be used to replace the carpet in the church and to upgrade the sound system in the church.



GIOTTO di Bondone- St. Joseph in Bethlehem

After the Magi had departed the **Angel** of the Lord **appeared to Joseph** in a dream and told him to take Jesus and his mother into the land of **Egypt** until He sent word that it would be safe to return. He warned that Herod would try to find the child to **murder** him. Joseph obeyed the Lord and took Jesus and his mother by night and departed for the land of Egypt. This event was **foretold** by the prophets.

"And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way. And when they were departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeareth to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word: for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him. When he arose, he took the young child and his mother by night, and departed into Egypt: And was there until the death of Herod: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Out of Egypt have I called my son." [Matthew 2:12-15](#)

Ask the saint who protected Mary and Jesus in their travels to protect you from all danger and accidents.

O St. Joseph, who accompanied Jesus and Mary in all their journeys, and who has been called the patron of all travelers, accompany us in this journey that we are about to undertake. Be our guide and our protector; watch over us; preserve us from all accidents and dangers to soul and body; support us in our fatigue, and aid us to sanctify it by offering it to God. Make us ever mindful that we are strangers, sojourners here below; that heaven is our true home; and help us to persevere on the straight road that leads thereunto. We ask you especially to protect and aid us in the last great voyage from time to eternity, so that, under your guidance, we may reach the realm of happiness and glory, there to repose eternally with you in the company of Jesus and Mary. Amen.



GIOTTO di Bondone- St. Joseph in Bethlehem

Después de que los Reyes Magos se fueron, el Ángel del Señor se le apareció a José en un sueño y le dijo que llevara a Jesús y a su madre a la tierra de Egipto hasta que él enviará el mensaje de que sería seguro regresar. Le advirtió que Herodes intentaría encontrar al niño para asesinarlo. José obedeció al Señor y tomó a Jesús y a su madre por la noche y partió hacia la tierra de Egipto. Este evento fue predicho por los profetas.

"Y siendo advertidos por Dios en un sueño de que no debían regresar a Herodes, partieron a su propio país por otro camino. Y cuando se fueron, he aquí que el ángel del Señor se le aparece a José en un sueño, diciendo: Levántate, toma al niño y a su madre, y huye a Egipto, y estate allí hasta que yo te avise; porque Herodes buscará al niño para destruirlo. Cuando se levantó, tomó al niño y a su madre por la noche, y se fue a Egipto: Y estuvo allí hasta la muerte de Herodes, para que se cumpliera lo dicho por el Señor por el profeta De Egipto llamé a mi hijo". Mateo 2:12-15

Pídele al santo que proteja a María y a Jesús en sus viajes que te proteja de todos los peligros y accidentes.

O San José, que acompañó a Jesús y María en todos sus viajes, y que ha llamado el patrón de todos los viajeros, nos acompañe en este viaje que estamos a punto de emprender. Sé nuestro guía y nuestro protector; vela por nosotros; preservarnos de todo accidente y peligro para el alma y el cuerpo; apoyanos en nuestra fatiga, y ayúdanos a santificarlo ofreciéndolo a Dios. Haznos siempre conscientes de que somos extranjeros, peregrinos aquí abajo; que el cielo es nuestro verdadero hogar; y ayúdanos a perseverar en el camino recto que conduce a él. Le pedimos especialmente que nos proteja y nos ayude en el último gran viaje del tiempo a la eternidad, para que, bajo tu guía, alcancemos el reino de la felicidad y la gloria, para descansar eternamente contigo en compañía de Jesús y María. Amén.



**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Every Friday of the month
After the 9:00 AM Mass.**

The visit to the **Blessed Sacrament** is a great treasure of the Catholic faith.



Once again as we *anticipate Lent*, and wonder what **positive** thing can I do to guide me prayerfully through the weeks until Easter.

Can we suggest Morning Prayer

Christ has taught us the necessity of praying at all times without losing heart. (Luke 18:1). The Church has been faithful in obeying this instruction, it never ceases to offer prayer, and makes this exhortation its own:

“Through him (Jesus), let us offer to God an unceasing sacrifice of praise.” (Hebrews 15:15). The Church, satisfies this requirement not only by the celebration of the Eucharist but in other ways also, especially through the **Liturgy of the Hours**.

Morning Prayer is prayed every **Saturday morning** after the **8am Mass**. And last for **approximately 20 minutes**.

NO PRIOR KNOWLEDGE NEEDED
We make it easy!!!

“Repent, and believe in the gospel.” Some type of honest and sincere repentance is necessary for any type of authentic growth and maturity. We have to come to the realization, unless we are happy wallowing in immaturity and superficiality, that the way we have been doing things is not the best or the healthiest. There isn’t a human being alive who hasn’t acted foolishly or erratically at the cost of almost losing a treasured relationship. “Why did I act that way?” is a question we often ponder after some reflection and enlightenment. Faith works the same way. Stumbling through life and bumping up against meaninglessness, a person can begin to see that something significant is missing. They see that there is merit to a relationship with God and an embrace of faith. Before these can take root, sincere sorrow for past wrong doing, missed opportunities, errors in judgment, and short sightedness is necessary. Repentance is necessary. Then having realized that we were walking in darkness, we can rejoice that by God’s grace we now see the light.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Our Veterans
Fr Janusz MocarSKI
Fr. Charles Vendredy
Deacon Al Pickford
Capuchin Friars
All First Responders
Our Military both home and abroad
All Medical Staff and Caretakers
Diane Colichio
For The Safety & Health Of Our Parishioners
Bob Lee and Family
Elaine Addie
Sheila Stearns
James Wilkinson and Family
Ryan Donnelly
Diane Donnelly
Emily Grawrock
Hanni LaLima
Bessie Geiger
Fr. Arlen Harris
Hilda Brown

Our Parishioners and their families
WE WILL BE PLACE OUR “PRAYER INTENTIONS” AS A MASS INTENTION AT EITHER A MASS DURING WEEK OR ON THE WEEKEND.

IF YOU HAVE A REQUEST, PLEASE CONTACT JUDY PERFIDO AT 631 289 6662 OR THE PARISH CENTER AND LEAVE YOUR NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER AND YOU WILL GET A RETURN CALL.

Prayer intentions run for 1 month in the bulletin, and as Mass. but can be repeated after the month is over upon request.



Spring Bereavement Support Group

Beginning on Wednesday, April 7, the parish center at St. Joseph the Worker will be offering a ten-week support group for the recently bereaved and those still struggling with an unresolved loss. This includes those who have lost loved a loved one to the pandemic as well as those who have lost loved ones due to other causes. The group is designed to assist the bereaved learn about the grief process; develop skills to manage their grief; and to learn to live in a world without the deceased. The group will be facilitated by Dr. Luciano Sabatini, a professional bereavement counselor with over 30 years of experience in counseling the bereaved. It is open to all members of the Long Island community.

The group will meet on Wednesdays from 11 AM to 12:15 PM and will end on June 9. If you are interested in joining, please call social outreach coordinator Regina Jacoby at 631-286-6356. Dr. Sabatini will call to welcome you and answer any questions you may have about the group. You will be mailed a registration form. Please complete the form and return to Regina by April 2. The only cost to you is a one-time registration fee of \$25 for which you will receive the book that will be used in the group.

If you are undecided about the group and want to learn more, call Dr. Sabatini at 631-823-0552 (cell phone 516-660-1352) or email him at lousab@aol.com

Food Pantry Update

The Food Pantry will now be open on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday from 11 am - 12 pm.

Donations will be received from 11am—12pm on those days as well,

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- Snacks
- Tuna Fish

We also are asking for Dollar Tree Gift Cards or BJ's in any denomination so we can purchase other essentials such as milk and sliced bread. Your support is greatly appreciated. These can also be left at the reception office.

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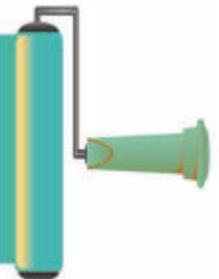
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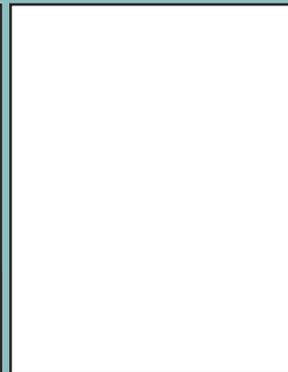
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