

### SAINT JOSEPH CHURCH

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#### **Sacraments**

Baptism: Date to be determined by pastor and parents Confirmation: One year program starts in September Reconciliation: Saturday 3:15PM-3:45PM Matrimony: Contact the Rectory at least 10 months in advance.

#### **Religious Education**

Director of Religious Education: Mrs. Nicole Knott Email: religiouseducation.stjoseph854@gmail.com Grades 1-8: TBD Confirmation: TBD

> *Music Ministry* Adult & Young People's Choirs

**Director:** Mrs. Amanda Santo **Organist:** Mrs. Claudette Archambault

**Parish Office** Business Manager: Ms. Natalia Bonella

**Parish Officers** 

Trustees: Mr. Thomas Walsh & Mr. Daniel T. Burns, Jr. Auditors: Mr. Norman Lavallee & Mrs. Elizabeth Pimentel



#### SAINT JOSEPH SCHOOL

850 Wakefield Street West Warwick, RI 02893

Principal Mrs. Erin M. Clark Grades: Pre-K to 8 Telephone: 821-3450 Web: www.sjsww.org



#### January 9, 2022

Weekend Collection.....\$5,593.00 Fuel Collection.....\$1,745.00

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#### Dear Parishioners,

I went up to NH with three priest friends from seminary for a few days of skiing. Last Saturday afternoon, three of us went down with Covid symptoms. By Sunday, all three of us had tested positive for Covid-19. The fourth priest had no symptoms and didn't get tested. After a short debate, the three of us voted the fourth as "patient zero" and are undecided if he gets invited to the next trip. I guess there are 3 kinds of friends: there's friends, there's good friends, and there's friends who are still friends after they share a global pandemic with you.

The first couple of days weren't pretty and seemed to get worse. I got in touch with my doctor on Monday and he gave me a few prescriptions an antibiotic, a steroid, and cough syrup. Once the medicine kicked in, I turned the corner and am on the upswing. I have a hacking cough that's been lingering toward the end of the week, so I thought it best to get priests to cover this weekend as well. I'm not trying to add myself to anyone's third group of friends.

Thank you to all the parishioners who have called to check in on me, dropped off soup and food, and kept me in your prayers. I'm deeply grateful to Fr. Smith, Fr. O'Hara, Msgr. Theroux, and Fr. Ricci for making the time to offer all the Masses at St. Joe's the past week.

I've fallen a bit behind in office work but will use the Monday holiday to get a good start to the week. I apologize if I am behind in returning calls. I hope to catch up over the next few days.

Have a great week!

God Bless, Father Stowe

#### 2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### JANUARY 16, 2022



The Office will be closed Monday, January 17, 2022 in observance of Martin Luther King Day



To book a Mass for 2022 commemorating:

\*Anniversary Mass \*Birthday Memorial Mass \*Memorial Mass \*Mass for a Living Intention

Please email, call, or stop by the rectory to schedule a Mass (Monday thru Thursday 9AM—1PM).

#### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Continues every Friday from 7:30am-12:30pm. We are in need of more people who are willing to give one hour of their time to our Lord. Please call the rectory if you are able to help.

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