



ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

AUGUST 16, 2020 | TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Diocese of Metuchen
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Weekend Masses

Saturday: 5 p.m.
Sunday: 9:30 a.m.

Daily Masses

Mon., Tues., Wed.: 7 p.m.
(TBD when it will resume)

Confession

Monday through Wednesday
6:30 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.
(TBD when it will resume)
Saturday: 4 to 4:45 p.m.
& by appointment.

Rosary

Prayed every first Monday of
the month at 7:30 p.m. & 5th
Sunday after the 11 a.m. Mass.

Adoration

3rd Thursday & First Friday
of the month. (cancelled)



THE ASSUMPTION OF THE
Blessed Virgin Mary

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday/Sunday, August 15/16

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 PM † Rev. Lawrence Smith
8:00 AM People of the Parish
9:30 AM (L) Vincent Scarponi
11:00 AM † Olga Kertesz

Monday, August 17, 2020

7:00 PM † John & Josephine Wardell

Tuesday, August 18, 2020

7:00 PM † Gerard & Lillian Fiore

Wednesday, August 19, 2020

St. John Eudes

7:00PM Open Intention

Saturday/Sunday, August 22/23

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 PM † Edward & Henrietta Schmidt
8:00 AM (L) Vincent Scarponi
9:30 AM † Penny Dietrich
11:00 AM People of the Parish

Our new weekend Mass Schedule is
Saturday Vigil Mass at 5 p.m. &
Sunday morning Mass at 9:30 a.m.

Check our website for changes to this schedule.

A MESSAGE FROM FR. JAMES

Over the last few months, many parishioners have continued to support St. Joseph Church through their weekly offerings. Some have mailed in a check, and others have given on-line. It is through this continued support that we will continue to meet the needs of this great parish. Please know that you and your families are in my daily prayers.

In your charity, please continue to pray for the safety and well-being of those who are continuing to serve the needs of others, food service workers, delivery personnel, scientists, doctors, nurses, EMS workers, police officers, pharmacists and the leaders of our government, our President and our Governor.

Also, please continue to pray for those parishioners and extended family members who cannot attend Mass at this time due to health reasons etc. May God bless all of you.

Your Servant in Christ,

Father James



LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTION

Weekend of Aug. 8/9

\$2198.-

Thank you for supporting St. Joseph Church.



God gives us this amazing Feast Day of the Assumption of Mary, as our preview of where we are going one day. We know, that where Mary went when she left this world, is exactly where we want to go, eventually, after we leave this world. We want to be with her in Heaven. We want to be with God, and His Angels and Saints! Where Mary was assumed to is exactly what Jesus has promised us. This Feast Day then becomes a preview for all of us, of what are future holds, and let me assure you, it is a very good future, **IF... we stick with Christ! IF... we avoid sin. If... we love Him, and serve Him, and follow Him in this life.**

Even though it happened a little differently for Mary, Jesus was the source of salvation for this holy woman also. Just like us, Mary was given a promise, a promise, of incredible things if only she would obey and trust God. What we celebrate today on this Feast Day, is **God's fulfillment of His promise to Mary.** At the end of her life, she who had been kept safe from sin from her first moment of conception in St. Ann's womb, did not pay the price for sin which is death. Instead, Mary was assumed body and soul into Heaven to receive her promised reward, the same reward, by the way, that has been promised to us. Heaven is NOT just for sinless virgins, and Heaven is not just for Popes and Cardinals, and Heaven is NOT just for founders of religious orders or martyrs, or Church doctors. **Heaven is for all of us!** This Feast Day is to inspire all of us to follow Jesus even more closely, so that we are following His Way straight home to Heaven. The only question today is, what are we doing about it? We save and sacrifice all the time for our vacations, trips, new vehicle or toys for the kids. **What are you doing to get safely home to Heaven?** May Mary's trip home inspire all of us to long for Heaven that much more! We might get excited about going on a trip, or a cruise, or even doing something new and different, and yet, how much more excited should all of us be, for Heaven!

Most Blessed Virgin, in your life of glory,
remember the sorrows of earth.

Look with kindness on those who suffer,
who struggle against difficulties,
who drink of the bitterness of life.

Have pity on those who love each other
and are separated.

Have pity on the lonely of heart.

Have pity on the weakness of our faith.

Have pity on the objects of our affection.

Have pity on those who weep,
those who pray, those who fear.

Obtain for all hope and peace. Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS

Parishioners are invited to request a particular Mass be offered for a deceased loved one or for the intentions of someone living. Contact the Parish Office to make arrangements & to receive a Mass card. The stipend is \$10.00



SANCTUARY LAMP

If you wish to have the Sanctuary Lamp burn in memory of a loved one or for someone living please contact the Parish Office. The offering is \$10 per week.



The lamp will burn this week for The Poor Souls in Purgatory.

PARISH PRAYER LIST

St. Dymphna, great wonder worker in every affliction of mind and body, we implore your powerful intercession with Jesus through Mary for the sick of our Parish. We pray especially for;

Vincent Scarponi, Baby Lily Procopio, Dagmar Clancy, Fr. James Kyrpczak, Mark Mueller, Joseph, Baby Leilynn, Rita Sheehan, Gloria Almind, Billy Almind, James, Annette Wilmott, Susan Young, Vanessa Adamczyk, Karen Moore & Alan Schultz.



"Always stay close to this Heavenly Mother, because she is the sea to be crossed to reach the shores of Eternal Splendour."

~St. Padre Pio

PRAYER LIST

If you know someone who is need of prayers or maybe you are in need of prayers and would like to be added to our Parish Prayer List, just send an email to parishoffice@sjchb.org, no questions asked. We can just list the first name for privacy reasons if you'd like. Remember we are here to pray for you!

Pray...Wait...Trust

THANK YOU

To all our volunteers who faithfully come each weekend to clean the Church or Usher at Mass, your help is greatly appreciated. May God bless you for giving of your time to help St. Joseph Church.



CONFESSION

Confession will be heard in the gazebo behind the Church on Saturdays from 4 pm- 4:45pm and by appointment.



FAITH FORMATION



For our 2nd Graders:
May you draw ever closer to Jesus, the Bread of Life, and that you will always live as a child of God. Amen

For our 9th Graders:
**Holy Spirit, Come Dwell in my Heart
Illuminate my mind
Direct my footsteps
Be my guide.
Amen**



K CLUB

Week #2 winner is:

XXXXXXX

Congratulations!



You still have time to mail in the \$40 for the second half of the 2020 K-Club to the Parish Office. Drawings will run 20 weeks with a \$50 winner each Sunday, now through the week of Dec. 13 at which time we will pull 10 winning names!

Good luck to everyone!


St. John Eudes

St. John was born in France on November 14th, 1601. At the age of 14 he took a vow of chastity and since the time he was a child he tried to live in imitation of the Lord. When he was ordained a priest in 1625, at the age of 24, he was immediately thrust into the service of



victims of the plague, whom he cared for at great risk to his own life. He also began preaching missions and was known as the greatest preacher of his age. In 1641 he founded the Congregation of Our Lady of Charity of the Refuge. He was also instrumental in encouraging devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, writing the first book ever on the devotion to the Sacred Hearts. He died at Caen, on August 19th, 1680. He was beatified April 25th, 1909 and canonized in 1925. His feast day is August 19.

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