



# ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

MAY 9, 2021 | SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

## Weekend Mass

Saturday: 5 p.m.

Sunday: 9:30 & 11 a.m.

## Daily Mass

Monday, Tuesday, Wed. & Thursday: 8 a.m.

## Confession

Saturday: 4 to 4:45 p.m. & First Sunday after 11 am Mass & by appt.

## Adoration

Holy Hour for Life, third Thursday of each month.

First Friday of the month from 3 pm to 7 pm followed by Benediction & Mass.

## Rosary

Prayed every 2nd Wednesday of the month.

**Parish Office Hours:**  
Mon.—Fri. 10 am to 4 pm

**Parish Registration:** Call the Parish Office, pick up a registration form in the Church vestibule or visit our website to join.

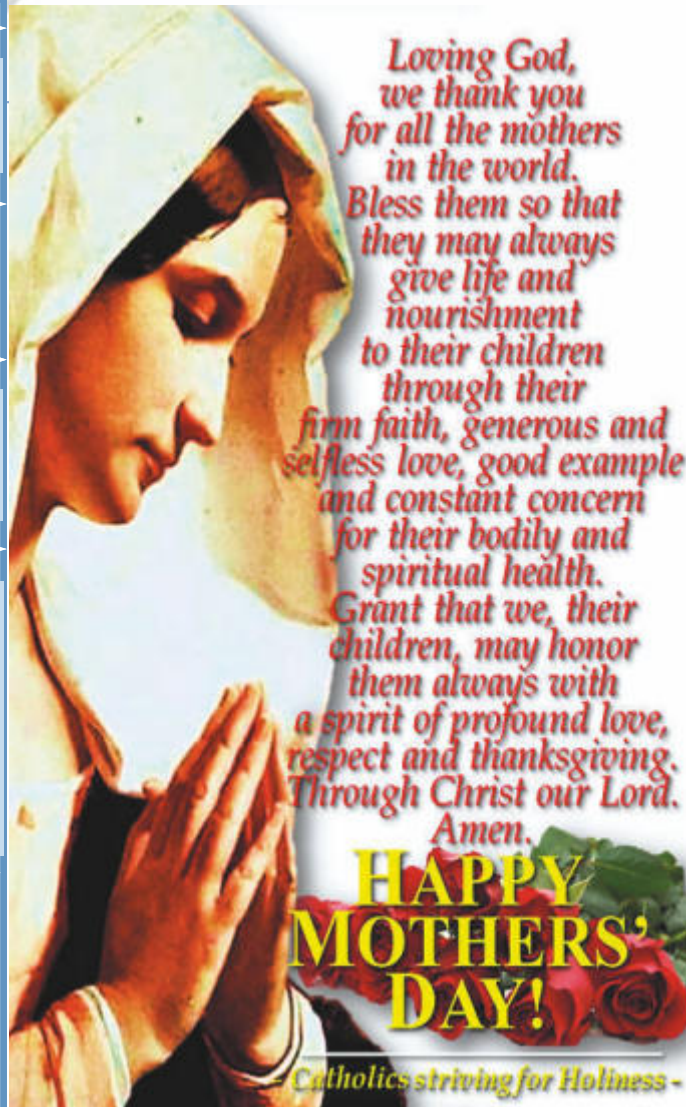
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*Loving God,  
we thank you  
for all the mothers  
in the world.  
Bless them so that  
they may always  
give life and  
nourishment  
to their children  
through their  
firm faith, generous and  
selfless love, good example  
and constant concern  
for their bodily and  
spiritual health.  
Grant that we, their  
children, may honor  
them always with  
a spirit of profound love,  
respect and thanksgiving.  
Through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.*

**HAPPY  
MOTHERS'  
DAY!**

*- Catholics striving for Holiness -*

“I will praise you Lord in the assembly of your people.” Psalm 22

Reverend James A. Kyrpczak

Deacon Tom McGovern

Deacon Steve Fortier

Parish Secretary: Mrs. Mary Jean Fiore ext.1

Faith Formation: Mrs. Shari Schultz ext.3

Director of Sacred Music: Dr. Alfred Cresci

Parish Bookkeeper: Ms. Arlene De Falco ext.4

## Sacraments

### Baptism:

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on Sundays. Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

### Ministry To the Homebound, Sick & Dying:

Please contact the Parish Office to arrange for Holy Communion and/or Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick as well as Last Rites for the dying.

### Faith Formation:

Religious Education will now take place on-line due to the recent pandemic. For more information please visit our website or contact Shari Schultz.

### Matrimony:

In accordance with Diocesan Policy, arrangements for a wedding should be made at least one year in advance. To allow ample time for preparation.

**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults):** This is the process of welcoming & forming adults who have a desire to learn more about the Catholic Faith. This is a conversion process. If interested call the Parish Office.

### Sponsorship:

To act as Godparent for Baptism or sponsor for Confirmation, the sponsor must be a baptized Catholic, received communion, confirmed, and live a morally good life; and if married, done so within Church law.

## Daily Mass Intentions LS=live-stream

*Saturday/Sunday, May 8/9*

**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
**Mother's Day/May Crowning**

5:00 PM † Father Gerard Lair  
9:30 AM People of the Parish (LS)  
† Joseph & Mary Pedula  
11:00 AM † Eda Tejido

*Monday, May 10, 2021*

**St. Damien de Veuster**  
8:00 AM (L) Rich Finn

*Tuesday, May 11, 2021*

8:00 AM (L) Greg English

*Wednesday, May 12, 2021*

8:00 AM † Holy Souls in Purgatory

*Thursday, May 13, 2021*

**Our Lady of Fatima**  
8:00 AM (L) Joseph John & Family

*Saturday/Sunday, 15/16*

**THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD**

5:00 PM † Felix Lunney  
9:30 AM † Joseph & Mary Pedula (LS)  
11:00 AM People of the Parish  
(L) Ken Schwartz

## MASS INTENTIONS

Would you like to have a Mass said for someone living or deceased? Please contact the Parish Office at 908-638-6211. The fee is \$10.00. Mass cards are available and can be mailed for your convenience.

*A Mass said for us when we are living can obtain an increase in grace, divine favor, spiritual and material blessing, and protection from future evil.*

## PARISH ACTIVITIES

*Monday—Thursday*

\* Daily Mass, 8 am, Church

*Tuesday, May 11*

\*Bible Study, 7:30 pm, (LS) on Facebook

*Wednesday, May 12*

\*Recitation of the Rosary, 6:30 pm, Church

*Thursday, May 13*

\*The Parish Office is Closed

*Saturday, May 15*

\*Food for Families Collection

## *A message from Father James:*

This past Saturday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker, we had the drawing for our Second Annual Spring Raffle which benefits the maintenance of St. Joseph Parish. I am pleased to say that all three winners are parishioners of St. Joseph's. I am thankful to the winner who donated back to the parish a significant portion of their winnings. At the same time, I thank all of you who supported our raffle this year.

Just recently, we had an unexpected repair that needed to be addressed in our parish. The underground waterline leading from the street to the rectory failed so that an increasing amount of water came up through the surface of the ground. Repairing this, involved both the hiring of an excavator and a plumber. Of course, I did check to see if this work could be covered by our insurance. We even did an investigation of the leak once the ground was opened up. In the end, the insurance did not cover the cost and the responsibility of making the repair fell to the parish.

Fortunately for us, since a friend of the parish who is a plumber and was willing to donate his labor and a friend of mine who is an excavator submitted a bill which just covered his cost, the parish was able to save thousands of dollars. As a matter of fact, the proceeds from this year's raffle about covered the cost.

Needless to say, again, I am so very thankful to all of you for supporting our raffle, especially during these challenging times.

As I mentioned, both the plumber and the excavator we used were extremely generous to our parish. This, I believe, is because, although not parishioners here, both men and their families are very good practicing Catholics who attend Mass each and every Sunday in their own parishes. The name of the excavating company we used is KDP Developers. They're a local and family-run business working primarily in Hunterdon and Warren counties. As a matter of fact, one of the brothers of this family lives in Hunterdon County while the other resides in Warren County.

Everyone here at the rectory commented on how professional and courteous they were when they did the work for us. Certainly, if you're in need of a septic system or repair, you might want to consider getting one of your estimates from KDP.

Finally, I would like to thank not just my excavator friend, our plumber friend and all of you, but mostly the patron of our parish, **St. Joseph** who had worked at manual labor himself while raising the Christ Child together with his spouse, the Blessed Virgin Mary. I cannot help to believe, that through his intercession with Almighty God, the work we needed done has been completed. For this, we give thanks and praise to God the almighty Father and to His Divine Son who is also the Son of a carpenter!

Please know that I continue to pray for all of you, especially during these difficult times. May God keep you safe and well!

In Christ, Father James



The Flowers in front of the statue of Mary were donated:

**In Loving Memory of Michele Hanning & May Wohlleb**

From The Krawchuck Family



## St. Joseph Annual Spring Raffle

**CONGRATULATIONS to our winners!**

**1st place: Danielle Fink**

**2nd place: Barbara Caldwell**

**3rd place: Michael Krochta**

Many thanks to all those who participated in this year's 2nd Annual Raffle. It was a great success!!!

### PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Our Lady of Fatima, trusting in your maternal mercy, and grateful for the goodness of your Immaculate Heart, we beg you to hear our prayers as we pray for those in need in our parish.



**We pray for:** Cathy Bush, William Honachefsky Sr, Vincent Scarponi, Mark Mueller, Joseph, Donald Tomko, Nate Strunk, John & Maria Lepore, Stephanie Hoelper, John Hayth, Frank Kyrpczak Sr., Lyzah Hennig, Mark H., Rich Finn and all those homebound in our parish community.

## FOOD FOR FAMILIES

The Food For Families Collection will take place next weekend, **May 15 & 16**. Please help those less fortunate by donating non perishable food items and hygiene products. Please check the dates and make sure the items are not expired. Drop off your donations during the week, between 8 am and 4 pm! Thank you for your kindness!

**The Parish Office will be closed on Thursday, May 13**



**K-CLUB NEWS** The 11th weekly winner of the K-Club is **Laura Tullo**.

There is still time to submit your payment of \$40 to the K-Club. Make your check payable to "St. Joseph K of C."

**"A Mother is she who can take the place of all others but whose place no one else can take!"**

## SANCTUARY LAMP

You may have the Sanctuary Lamp burn in memory of a loved one or for someone living or a special intention. Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements. The offering is \$10 per week.



The Sanctuary Lamp burns constantly to proclaim the Real Presence of Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in the Tabernacle.

This week the flame is dedicated to:

**All Living & Deceased Mother's of Our Parish**

**Don't forget to visit our website at [www.sjchb.org](http://www.sjchb.org)**

## St. Joseph Rosary Group



Feeling burnt out, worn out, and stretched too thin? Then, my friend, you need to start praying the Rosary. Yes, our lives are busy and we rarely have a minute to spare. Yet we manage to find time to scroll and post and stare at our glowing screens, activities that often leave us feeling more lost and tired.

Come pray the Rosary on **Wednesday, May 12** at **6:30 pm** in the Church. All are invited, even children!

St. Joseph Rosary group is a newly formed group, who, imitating the humility of Our Holy Mother Mary, are willing to teach the Rosary, pray for others and help each of the church ministries and any of those in our community who need a helping hand.

If you are interested in joining, contact the Parish Office at (908) 638-6211.



### *A Mother...*

When you're a child she walks before you  
To set an example.

When you're a teenager she walks behind you  
To be there should you need her.

When you're an adult she walks beside you  
So that as two friends you can enjoy life  
together.

May God bless all our Mothers. Grandmothers,  
Aunts & Sisters on this very special day.

*Happy Mother's Day*



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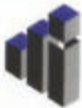
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