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MASSES/SERVICES ARE SUSPENDED AT THIS TIME.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 7:30am, 9 am, 10:30 am, 12 noon DAILY

Weekdays 7:00 am & 8:30 am Saturday 8:30 am

HOLY DAYS

as announced

Miraculous Medal Novena

Monday, 7:00 pm in Mary's Chapel

Eucharistic AdorationFirst Wed. of Month
9 am—5 pm in MC

SACRAMENTS

Confession: Saturday, 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Baptism

Contact the Parish Office

Marriage

Arrangements should be made with a priest at least one year in advance.

Homebound/Hospital
Call Parish Office

Christian Initiaion of Adults—RCIA Contact Parish Office

PARISH
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ASCENSION OF "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."

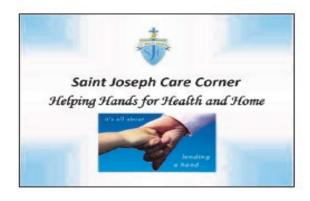
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Mary's Chapel in Saint Joseph Church is now OPEN DAILY from 10 am—12 n for personal quiet prayer. See page 6.



GIRL SCOUTS SUPPORT SAINT JOSEPH CARE CORNER

Dana Barnes and Samantha Romanelli from Girl Scout Troop 5571 recently held a baby shower to collect items for the SJCC. The scouts began collecting before the pandemic and continued advertising the drive during their virtual scout meetings. The items collected will be stored in the SJCC and distributed to the organizations in need.



Dana and Samantha's hard work and dedication is very much appreciated and helps the SJCC continue its mission of lending a hand to those in need. Thanks so much and thanks to all who donated.



MEMORIAL DAY—*MAY 26, 2020*

"No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends." Christians are no strangers to sacrifice. Jesus lays down his life for our redemption, martyrs remain faithful to the end, and every believer faces "deaths" in the spiritual life when love requires a re-ordering of preference and priority.

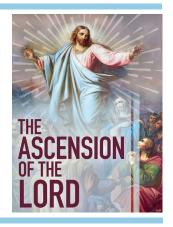
On Memorial Day, we honor those who laid down their lives for their nation and for the values we espouse - freedom, justice, and a better

world for our children. In a day that has been traditionally filled with barbeques, remember to take some time in prayer! Intercede for those who have died and for the loved ones they left behind, and pray for peace on earth.

CELEBRATING THE ASCENSION—MAY 24, 2020

In both the Gospel of Mark and the Gospel of Luke, the Ascension occurs on a Sunday, "the first day of the week." So then the Lord Jesus, after he spoke to them, was taken up into heaven and took his seat at the right hand of God. (See Mark 16: 9 & 19)

Because of the extraordinary circumstances created by the COVID-19 pandemic, the Bishops of the Metropolitan Province of Newark (i.e. the State of New Jersey) have, for this year, joined most of the country in assigning the observance of the Ascension of the Lord to the Seventh Sunday of Easter, May 24. As Rev. Thomas A. Dente from the Office of Divine Worship tells us, "Celebrating the Ascension of the Lord on a Sunday, the day of resurrection and the day of light, recognizes its significance and more fully incorporates it into the liturgical celebrations of the Paschal event."



FOOD



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Are you considering enrolling your child in **Saint Joseph School** in the Fall? Complete the **application process** now and be guaranteed a seat for your student for the 2020-2021 school year.

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We can't wait to get to know your child!

URGENT NEED—K of C FOOD DRIVE THIS SUNDAY, MAY 24

Please bring your donations of non-perishable food and supplies to the Knights of Columbus Council Hall (199 River Rd, New Milford) from 10:00 am-5:00 pm.

This will be a **"curbside drop off"** event. We will also accept your **cash or check donations** (checks can be made out to Knights of Columbus St. Joseph Council #3814.) Your donations will benefit the food pantry of Ascension Church, which provides food distributions to the families of Ascension and Saint Joseph parishes.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

St. Bernard of Clairvaux (1090-1153) is one of the most important saints of the

Middle Ages even though he died at a relatively young age. He is sometimes called the last of the Western Church Fathers even though he lived after the standard cut-off date for the designation, the mid-8th century.

At the age of just 25, Bermard was sent to found the Cistercian monastery Clairvaux. In the rest of his life, Bernard founded 37 more. The Cistercian life was one of great austerity. Its primary emphasis was on prayer, although charitable outreach also came to play an important part of their contribution to Church life.

St. Bernard had a strong talent for writing, expressing himself in a lucid way that reached his readers with a pleasing directness. Pope Benedict XVI once summed up this effective ability:

The riches and merits of his theology do not lie in having taken new paths, but rather in being able to propose the truths of the faith in a style so clear and incisive that it fascinated those listening and prepared their souls for recollection and prayer.

(continued above)



St. Bernard belongs to a select group of 36 saints called the Doctors of the Church. They are not physicians, but key teachers in the Church's history. They share three qualities: outstanding holiness (even for saints), a great depth of insight into Catholic teachings, and the creation of an impressive body of authentically Catholic writings. St.

Bernard is sometimes called the Marian Doctor, because from his childhood on he had great devotion to the Mother of God.

One beautiful expression of St. Bernard's devotion to Our Lady is a prayer suitable to any May, but especially helpful in difficult times.

In danger, in distress, in uncertainty, think of Mary, call upon Mary. She never leaves your lips, she never departs from your heart, and so that you may obtain the help of her prayers, never forget the example of her life. If you follow her, you cannot falter; if you pray to her, you cannot despair; if you think of her, you cannot err. If she sustains you, you will not stumble; if she protects you, you have nothing to fear; if she guides you, you will never flag; if she is favorable to you, you will attain your goal.

Msgr. David Hubba



We will continue to have Mass at Saint Joseph available ONLINE during the current crisis.

Please check our parish website

Sjcnj.org

for the link to the Mass
starting on Saturdays at 5:00 pm

(Then subscribe to our

YouTube channel.)

Mass is also available on OPTV
Oradell public access television
7:00 pm Saturdays & 10:00 am Sundays
on Altice/Optimum Ch. 77 (Oradell)
FiOS Ch. 28 (Oradell & New Milford)



May 23, 2020 Saturday 5:00 pm Florence Kissack

Sunday May 24, 2020 7:30 am People of the Parish

Luke McCaffrey (Birthday Remembrance) 9:00 am

10:30 am UC Alejandro Tumang 10:30 am MC Rita McDonald 12:00 pm Felice Bartolomeo

May 25, 2020 **Memorial Day** Monday

Maeve Tuohy 8:30 am

May 26, 2020 **Tuesday** 7:00 am Paul & Ann Rota

(Wedding Anniversary Remembrance)

Julie Talarico (Birthday—Living) 8:30 am

Wednesday May 27, 2020 7:00 am Michael McAndrews

8:30 am Kathleen Szott (Birthday Remembrance)

Thursday May 28, 2020 7:00 am Timothy Sullivan 8:30 am Bettyanne Plummer

Friday May 29, 2020

7:00 am For the Living and Deceased Members

of the Prior & Plinio Families

8:30 am Alec Talarico (Birthday—Living)

Saturday May 30, 2020 8:30 am Carter Murdock

5:00 pm Edward & Marguerite Jackson

Sunday May 31, 2020 7:30 am People of the Parish 9:00 am Joseph P. Polyniak 10:30 am UC Ronald Tutrone 10:30 am MC Timothy Sullivan

12:00 pm James & Gilda Moretti

BREAD & WINE INTENTIONS

The bread and wine for the week of May 24, 2020 is offered for the honor and glory of God.

Visit us on our websites:

CHURCH: sjcnj.org

RELIGIOUS ED.: sjcnjre.org SCHOOL: sisusa.org

PRAYER REQUESTS

Let us remember all those who are ill:

Ed Grube, Dr. Margaret Dames, Br. Luke Gilchrist, Arden Saenz, Mary Tehan

Let us remember all those who have died:

Zenaida Bautista, Denis Reilly, Louise Moir, John Davis

Let us remember those serving in our military:

2nd LT Harry Aguino USAF, Lance Cpl. Alexander Banas, 1st LT Christopher Bascomb, 2nd LT Michael McPherson, 1st LT Michael Shuler, PFC David Solinas, Jr.



THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD -SUNDAY, MAY 24

Due to the challenges that we are facing from COVID-19, Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin,

Archbishop of Newark has approved the transfer of the observance of the **Ascension** of the Lord from Thursday, May 21 to THIS Sunday, May 24, 2020.

HOLY DAY and SUNDAY DONATION

If you are in a position to **include your donation** for the Ascension along with your Sunday contribu**tion**, it would be greatly appreciated. Please see below on how you can continue to support your church.



DONATE ONLINE:

Go to **sjcnj.churchgiving.com** and follow the directions. You can quickly and easily make a

one-time donation or set up an account to make your normal weekly contribution ...OR...

SEND US YOUR ENVELOPE: Please mail it to

the Parish Office at 105 Harrison Street,

New Milford, NI 07646. (Do NOT use the Church

address of 300 Elm Street., Oradell.)

If you live nearby, you may put it in the **locked** mailbox outside the rectory/parish office. Please do **NOT ring bell at Rectory.** The box is checked frequently every day by staff.

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WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 24, 2020

SUN 5/24 ASCENSION: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23/

Mt 28:16-20

7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER Acts 1:12-14/Ps 27:1, 4, 7-8 [13]/1 Pt 4:13-16/

Jn 17:1-11a

MON 5/25 Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab [33a]/Jn 16:29-33

TUE 5/26 Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21 [33a]/Jn 17:1-11a

WED 5/27 Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab [33a]/

Jn 17:11b-19

THR **5/28** Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 [1]/

Jn 17:20-26

FRI **5/29** Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab [19a]/|n 21:15-19

SAT 5/30 Morning: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7 [cf. 7b]/

Jn 21:20-25

SUN 5/31 Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/

Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 [cf. 30]/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39. **Extended Vigil:** Gn 11:1-9/Ps 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Dn 3:52, 53, 55, 56 [52b] or Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [1]/Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 [cf. 30]/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39. **Day:** Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 [cf. 30]/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/

Jn 20:19-23

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 24, 2020

Sunday: The Ascension of the Lord; 7th Sunday of Easter;

World Communications Day

Monday: St. Bede the Venerable, Priest and Doctor of the Church; St. Gregory

VII, Pope; St. Mary Magdalene de' Pazzi, Virgin; Memorial Day

Tuesday: St. Philip Neri, Priest

Wednesday: St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop

Next Sunday: Pentecost Sunday

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Being real people of faith comes with a price. Have you ever been seen as unpopular, out of sync or peculiar because of your faith? St. Peter tells us, "If you are insulted for the name of Christ, blessed are you." If being a Christian comes easy for us, then we ought to rethink how we approach our faith. Developing habits of prayer, living in accord with the Gospel, setting time aside each week for the practice of our faith, seeing our relationship with Christ as the center and focus of our families all come with sacrifice. We are going to look differently than other folks and we ought to. We are going to find ourselves doing less of the things we are "supposed to do" and more of the things we know we "ought to do or want to do." This often means resisting secular tides and putting our boats into different waters. If this is what helps us know the one true God, then so be it. It also brings us to eternal life.

SUNDAY, MAY 24, 2020 | 7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Saint Joseph Church is excited to begin welcoming you back!

We ask that you assist in making this phased reopening positive and safe by adhering to the following directives in accord with Archdiocese, state and local health officials:

PHASE ONE (effective May 17th)

- Personal private prayer only NO GATHERINGS PERMITTED. 10:00 am—12:00 noon EVERYDAY. See box below.
- Please ENTER Harrison St. doors only EXIT Grand St. doors only.
- Occupancy will be limited to 10 persons at a time for now.
- If the need arises, please wait in queue, 6 feet apart, at the entrance until invited inside:
 - You may be asked to limit your prayer time based on the number of people in the queue.
- MAINTAIN SAFE SOCIAL DISTANCING (6 feet).
- . FACE MASK REQUIRED at all times.

PHASE TWO (date to be determined by Archdiocese)

Following Phase One, churches will then be permitted to celebrate public weekday Masses and funerals within specific restrictions such as the practice of social distancing, use of face masks and a designated limit on the number of people in attendance.

PHASE THREE (date to be determined by Archdiocese)

Following Phase One and Two, churches will then be permitted to celebrate Sunday Mass publicly with specific restrictions such as the continued practice of social distancing, use of face masks, designated limit on the number of people in attendance as well as specific guidelines for the receipt of Communion. All other sacraments resume according to specified directives of the Archdiocese during Phase Three.

PROTECTING OUR PARISHIONERS



Saint Joseph Facilities Director, **Tom Meli**, reports that our church has been deep cleaned for our parishioners safety. Shown above is the Blessed Sacrament Chapel in **Mary's Chapel** where **Personal Prayer Hours** are taking place daily from **10:00 am—12:00 noon** (see box above and to right).



OPEN FOR PRAYER, EXPOSITION and CONFESSION

Mary's Chapel (lower church) will be open DAILY (Sundays and Weekdays) from 10:00 am —12 noon for quiet personal prayer and the Sacrament of Reconciliation if desired. There will also be simple Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament daily. You are welcome to come. Please see guidelines above.



YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY ("F.U.E.L") NEXT ONLINE MEETING —MAY 29

The Saint Joseph Young Adult Ministry, F.U.E. L. (Faithfully United in Eucharistic Life) will meet on Friday, May 29 at 7:30 pm via Zoom. If you are an adult between the ages of 21-35 and are interested in hearing about F.U.E.L.'s upcoming events, or know someone who would like to be included, please send an email to solinase@sjcnj.org or contact Danielle Gherardi.

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