

# Church of Saint Joseph

6 New Street, Mendham, New Jersey 07945 ~ [www.stjoesmendham.org](http://www.stjoesmendham.org)

## The Celebration of The Eucharist

### Monday, December 18<sup>th</sup>

9:00 a.m. Anne Fulling

### Tuesday, December 19<sup>th</sup>

9:00 a.m. For The People

### Wednesday, December 20<sup>th</sup>

9:00 a.m. Sabina & Gaetano Anginoli

### Thursday, December 21<sup>st</sup>

9:00 a.m. Rachel T. DiLeva

### Friday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>

9:00 a.m. Anne Fulling

### Saturday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>

8:00 a.m. Mary Fulling

5:00 p.m. Zachary Lopian

### Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup>

8:00 a.m. Noel Schulz

10:00 a.m. Peter Cavallero

### Christmas Eve Masses

4:00 p.m. Minnie & Charles Kern

Lucille & Larry Vollmuth

7:00 p.m. Lillian Massara

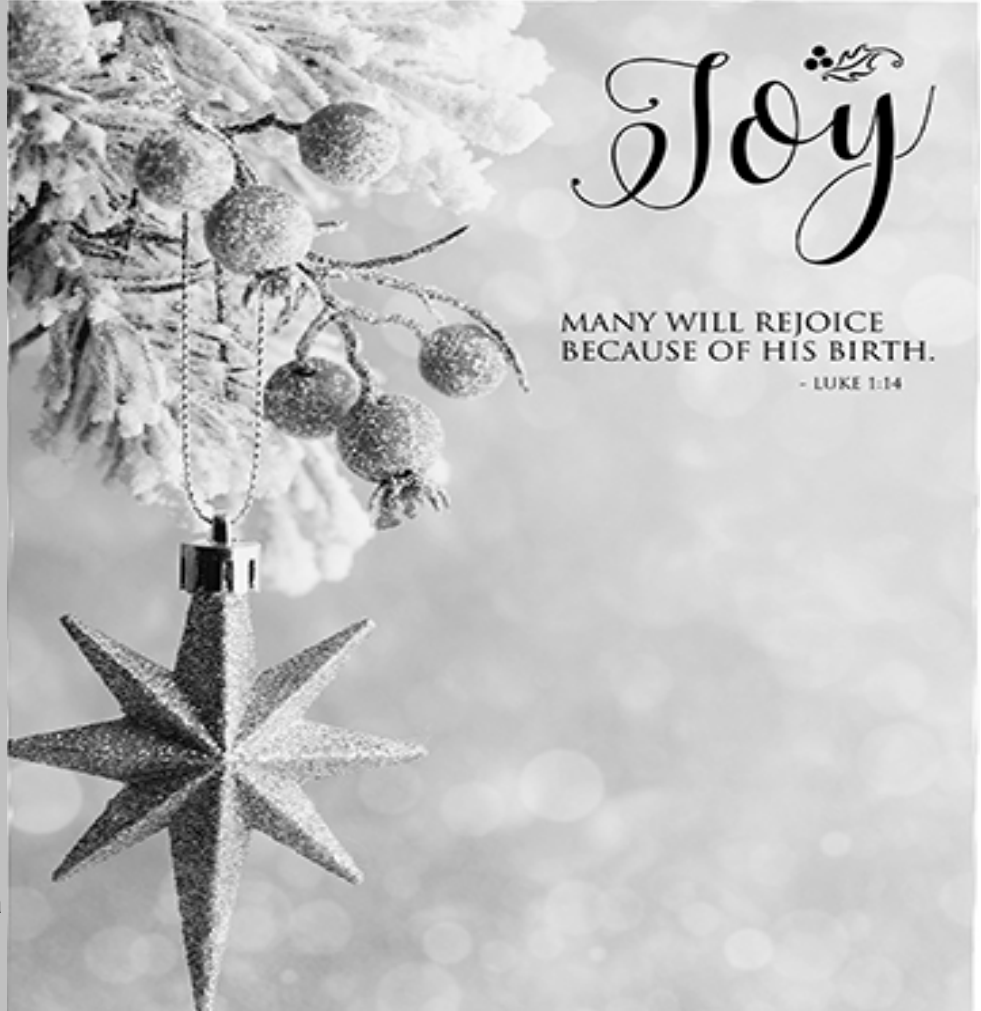
10:00 p.m. Victoria & Julius Gorczyca

### Reconciliation:

Saturdays 4:00 - 4:30 p.m.

### Baptisms:

First & Third Sundays of the Month



**FOCUS: Rejoice in your God, the God of hope and light.** The world literally grows darker each day this time of the year. But as dark as the world grows, the darkness will not overcome the light. Jesus is the light of the world. He illumines our darkness with his love and truth. We are able to sit in the darkness with confidence that the Lord is with us.

### Readings for Next Weekend

First Reading:

2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16

Second Reading:

Romans 16:25-27

Third Reading:

Luke 1:26-38



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**Parish House: 973~543~5950**

Monday ~ Friday: 9:00 a.m. – noon/1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

**On Holy Days of Obligation the Parish House  
will open at 10:15.**

**[www.stjoesmendham.org](http://www.stjoesmendham.org)**



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**Parish Trustees:** Mortimer O'Shea & William Gilligan

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### Parish Mission Statement

To Enable Parishioners to Live Their  
Christian Vocation in the World.



If you are going into the hospital and would like a priest to visit you there, please call the Parish House at 973~ 543~5950 to inform the priest.

## ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE

**Monday, December 18**

7:30 p.m.

### Mass Schedule



### CONFESSIONS

**Saturday, December 23**

4:00 p.m.

### MASSES

**Saturday, December 23**

8:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.

**Fourth Sunday of Advent, December 24**

8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

**Christmas Eve, Sunday, December 24**

4:00 p.m. (Children's Liturgy)

7:00 p.m. & 10:00 p.m.

Prelude with choir beginning at 9:30 p.m.

**Christmas Day, Monday, December 25**

8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. & 12:00 noon

**Saturday, December 30**

8:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.

**New Year's Eve, Sunday, December 31**

Regular Sunday Schedule:

7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., & 11:30 a.m., **No Vigil**

**New Year's Day, Monday, January 1**

Not a Holy Day of Obligation

Mass at 9:00 a.m.



**The Parish House will be closed on**

Friday, December 22,  
and Monday, December 25.

*Christmas Blessings*

**Sunday Offering:**

December 10, 2017: \$7,766

November Electronic Giving: \$7,668

Thank you for your generous spirit! Fr. Joe

**Sign-ups are rolling in.** The former *Young Adult*



*Pilgrimage to Rome* is now **open to all ages**. Consider giving your family a gift that you will remember forever ~ time together. Brochures are available

at the church exits. The Pilgrimage dates are **May 21-29, 2018**. Living in Rome for five years, Fr. Stephen acquired a great knowledge of and love for the city and looks forward to sharing it. **Nathaniel Wine, a representative from Corporate Travel, will be present at every Mass this weekend and an informational meeting will be held at 12:30 p.m. on Sunday, December 17, in the gym.** Call 313-565-8888, ext. 150 or ext.121 with any questions. Register before December 22 and save \$100!

**St. Joseph School Grocery Magic Gift Card Fundraising Program** ~ Local grocery gift cards in \$100 denominations are available for purchase from the school. For every \$100 card purchased, St. Joseph School receives \$5. Kings, ShopRite, ACME, Weis, and Stop & Shop all participate. Please contact Peggy Timoney to purchase your gift cards; 973- 543-1101. Thank you for your support.

**Box Tops for Education** ~ SJS collects box tops for education. All box tops proceeds are used to buy new books for the library. Please help by collecting box tops from participating grocery items. St. Joseph School will have a collection box in the narthex for all box tops. Thank you very much for helping the students at St. Joseph School.



**For the safety of your children** ~ We ask that parents accompany young children when they use the bathroom during Mass.



## Worship



**The Rosary** is prayed weekdays at 8:30 a.m. in the chapel.

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** takes place every Friday, after the 9:00 a.m. Mass (9:30 – 10:30 a.m.) and every first Saturday after the 8:00 a.m. Mass (8:30 ~ 9:30 a.m.). Saturday's Holy Hour is devoted to Mary, Mother of all the living. We offer our prayers for all those who are suffering and hurting, especially those affected by abuse and abortion. Please consider devoting some time in quiet prayer with our Lord – it's good for the soul! For more

information, please contact Fr. Stephen at the Parish House.

Every Monday, following 9:00 a.m. Mass, the **Divine Mercy Chaplet and Novena** is prayed for all those who are suffering from cancer and other serious illnesses. Please join us in the chapel. For information, call the Parish House.



## Spiritual Enrichment

**Annual Weekend Jesuit Retreat for Men** ~ For more than three decades, adult men of all ages from St. Joseph's parish in Mendham have joined together on retreat with men from other NJ and NY parishes during the month of January at what is now the "Loyola Jesuit Center" in Morristown. Loyola Jesuit Center offers a time to relax away from the noise, business and stresses of everyday life; a time to be still, to listen in the peaceful quiet of the Loyola retreat grounds for what God wants to say to us. The men of St. Joseph parish are invited to join other brothers in Christ from around the region for a retreat on Friday - Sunday, January 26-28, 2018. Fr. Tom Marciniak, S.J. will offer reflections on the theme: "Surrender ??? Learning to Yield Lovingly to Our God." The retreat begins at dinner on Friday evening and ends after lunch on Sunday. For additional information, please contact Michael Connolly at 973-543-4597 or [michael238jconn@yahoo.com](mailto:michael238jconn@yahoo.com); or contact Loyola directly to register online at [www.loyola.org](http://www.loyola.org), or 973- 539-0740 or email at [retreathouse@loyola.org](mailto:retreathouse@loyola.org).

**Evening Bible Study for adults** ~ Join Fr. Stephen for a digital Bible Study based on the work of Dr. Scott Hahn, a renowned American biblical scholar. This study presents how the sacraments are firmly rooted in Scripture and answers common objections from non-Catholics. **No formal commitment** is needed to participate! *All sessions will be held in the school cafeteria, 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.* **Next Session:** Wednesday, December 20 ~ *Lamb of God (Eucharist)*.

**Morning Bible Study** with Fr. Stephen meets weekly on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in the Christopher House. Bible Study is open to everyone, so please come if your schedule allows. There is no commitment to this group. You need not be there each week.



**The Men's Discussion Group** meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays of each month, from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. This forum provides presentations and open discussions on a variety of topics to promote a deeper understanding of our Catholic faith. Please call Bob Manthey at 973-543-2129 for details.  
**Upcoming Meetings:** January 13 & 27

† **Music Ministry** 

**Come Join the Adult Choir!** Rehearsals are held on Thursday evenings at 7:30 p.m. The choir sings at the 9:30 a.m. Mass on Sundays.

For more information, contact Mary Pat Davies at 973-543-7474, ext.314 or [mdavies@sjsmendham.org](mailto:mdavies@sjsmendham.org).



**Ministry to Life**

**Spiritual Adoption** ~ Our baby urinates, makes complex facial expressions and even smiles. He "practices" breathing, since he will have to breathe immediately after birth. Stomach muscles now contract. Vocal chords and taste buds form.



**The Sacrament of  
The Anointing of the Sick**

**Not a Sacrament for the dying only!** Please call the Parish House to inform one of our priests that a family member needs the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick before the person becomes gravely ill. This sacrament may be repeated. It is also appropriate to receive this sacrament prior to surgery. "If circumstances suggest it, the celebration of the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick can be preceded by the Sacrament of Penance." (1140, *The Catechism of the Catholic Church*)



**St. Joseph School News**  
*St. Joseph School Where Faith,  
Family, and Education Come Together.*

SJS students continue to prepare for the birth of Jesus when they gather together tomorrow morning at 7:30 a.m. in the church to light the third candle on the **Advent Wreath**.

This Thursday, the members of the National Junior Honor Society will collect the toiletries donated by

school families for the **Feed-A-Friend** program at the Morristown Soup Kitchen.

Please join us as the 8<sup>th</sup> grade leads us in our **Advent Liturgy** on Friday at 9:00 a.m. in the church.



**The faculty, staff and students of St. Joseph School wish everyone a Blessed Christmas and a New Year filled with health and happiness.**

SJS will be on **Christmas Break** beginning at 11:30 a.m. Friday, December 22, through Monday, January 1. Classes will resume on Tuesday, January 2.

**St. Joseph School has some openings** for students in the lower grades. We were designated a *National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence* in 2012, are AdvancED Accredited and a STEM school. For more information, please call 973-543-7474, ext. 7, or visit us at [www.sjsmendham.org](http://www.sjsmendham.org). St. Joseph School Where Faith, Family and Education Come Together.

Please visit us at [sjsmendham.org](http://sjsmendham.org) for all of the latest news and events happening at St. Joseph School.



**Religious Education**

[www.stjoesmendham.org](http://www.stjoesmendham.org)

To report an absence, please call the Attendance Hot Line **PRIOR** to class: (973) 543-5950, ext. 19

**January Class Schedule**

**Hope Group (1~6)**

Sunday morning, January 7, 9:45 a.m.

**Love Group (1~6)**

Monday afternoons, January 8 & 29, 4:00 p.m.

**TLC Group (7~8)**

Monday nights, January 8 & 29, 7:00 p.m.

**Faith Group (K~6)**

Sunday morning, January 21, 9:45 a.m.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Sacramental Program:**

**Reminder: Your child is scheduled for First Reconciliation on January 6, 2018. Don't forget to bring the food item assigned to you for our celebration afterward!**

St. Joseph School - 9:30 a.m.

Hope & Faith Groups - 11:30 a.m.



**Snow date: January 20**



## **POLICY REGARDING WEATHER RELATED CLASS CANCELLATIONS**



In the event of inclement weather on Sunday when CCD classes are scheduled, class cancellations will be announced by 7:30 a.m. on the religious education phone line: 973-543-5950, ext. 19, ext. 14, and ext. 13.

Whenever inclement weather on a Monday forces closings for Mendham Township / Borough schools, the Parish Religious Education classes will also be cancelled.

In the case of weather or other emergencies that occur later in the day when CCD and TLC are scheduled (Mondays), class cancellations will be announced by 3:00 p.m. on the religious education phone line: 973-543-5950, ext. 19, ext. 14, and ext. 13.

**ALL CANCELLATIONS WILL BE POSTED ON THE PARISH WEBSITE:**

[www.stjoesmendham.org](http://www.stjoesmendham.org)



**Confirmation ~ Year 1 & Year II**  
(Grades 9 & 10)

**Sunday, January 7, 2018**

5:00 ~ 6:30 p.m.



**Teen News**  
High School Youth Ministry

Our **Tenth Annual Teen Appalachia Service Trip** to serve the working poor in Kentucky will be June 17-23, 2018. If you would like to attend, you must be 16 years of age by the end of summer *or be a rising junior or senior. **Online applications are available and will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. The trip fills up quickly.***

For trip information and to sign-up online, go to [www.stjoesmendham.org/appalachia](http://www.stjoesmendham.org/appalachia)

Questions? Contact Monica Micera at 908-963-4546, [monicamicera@aol.com](mailto:monicamicera@aol.com) or Mark Tosso at [973-543-5950](tel:973-543-5950), [tosso@stjoesmendham.org](mailto:tosso@stjoesmendham.org). **Adults interested in joining our 2018 Appalachia trip as volunteers, please contact Monica Micera or Mark Tosso.**

If you'd like to be added to our email list, please contact Mark Tosso at [tosso@stjoesmendham.org](mailto:tosso@stjoesmendham.org).



**Diocese of Paterson**

## **Policy of Diocese of Paterson in Response to Complaints of Sexual Abuse:**

If any person may have been abused by any priest, they should immediately contact their local County Prosecutor's Office and the Diocese's Victims' Assistance Coordinator, Peggy Zanello at 973-879-1489. You may also be in touch with either of the Diocesan Response Officers: Rev. Msgr. James T. Mahoney, Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia, at 973-777-8818, ext. 205, or Sister Joan Daniel Healy, S.C.C., Chancellor/Delegate for Religious, at 973-777-8818, ext. 248. The entire text of the Policy of the Diocese of Paterson in Response to Complaints of Sexual Abuse is available on the diocesan website: [www.patersondiocese.org](http://www.patersondiocese.org).

**Parishioners, please note:** On our Diocesan website, [www.patersondiocese.org](http://www.patersondiocese.org), there is the Advance Directive for End of Life Issues available for printing. This directive has been approved by the Bishops of New Jersey.



## **Knights of Columbus**

IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.  
<http://www.stjoesmendhamknights.org>

**Become a Knight ~** If you would like to be a member of the Saint Joseph Knights of Columbus, please contact Mike Dunne at [mdunne@daypitney.com](mailto:mdunne@daypitney.com).



## **Human Concerns**

The **People's Choice Food Pantry** at the **Father English Community Center** in Paterson serves *100-150 clients each day*. In November, a fire completely destroyed this vital resource to the community. Your help is needed to restock the pantry now so our brothers and sisters in Paterson can continue to be nourished. Please drop your non-perishable donations in the box located in the **West Entrance ONLY**. Items of greatest need include:

Canned Meats/Fish	Baby Food—All Stages
Rice/Pasta/Pasta Sauce	Baby Formula
Canned/Dried Beans	Diapers—All sizes
Macaroni and Cheese	Juices
Canned Soup	Peanut Butter/Jelly
Canned Fruit	Oatmeal/Grids/Farina
Pancake Mix/Syrup	Powdered Milk

**If you have any questions regarding this request, please call Emily Wood, 973-543-3445. Thank you.**

**Please note:** St. Joseph Church **no longer collects clothing donations.** If you have other items to donate to the Father English Center, please call Adi Conover at 973-543-0248.

Everyone is invited ~ the third Tuesday of every month. For further information, contact Sister Maryanne Tracey at [mtracey@scnj.org](mailto:mtracey@scnj.org). No RSVP necessary.

## Community News

**St. Paul Abbey** on Rt. 206, south of Newton, has thousands of Christmas trees ready to choose 'n' cut ~ 7 Days a week through December 23 ~ 9:00 – 4:00 p.m. The Abbey Gift Shop has many items that make ideal Christmas gifts!

**Simbang Gabi sa Corpus Christi** - (Advent Novena Masses at Corpus Christi in Chatham) - December 15-23 at 7:00 p.m. Please come and invite your friends and family to join as a spiritual offering in preparation for celebrating the birth of our Lord Jesus! Please contact:  
Fr. Lem Camacho at 973-635-0070, ext. 6; email: [lcamacho@corpuschristi.org](mailto:lcamacho@corpuschristi.org); or Ms. Jennie Braza at [jennie.braza@gmail.com](mailto:jennie.braza@gmail.com), with any questions.

**Reading Tutor** ~ Is your child struggling with reading and/or spelling? Now is a good time to have a reading tutor help your child gain the skills and confidence they need to succeed in school. Reading is a gift that will last a lifetime.  
Call Sister Ann Lavelle at 973.750.4311 or go to [www.keystosuccessforyou.com](http://www.keystosuccessforyou.com) for more information.

**Holy Hour for Peace** ~ The Sisters of Charity of Saint Elizabeth invite you to a monthly Holy Hour of Quiet Prayer at Holy Family Chapel, 2 Convent Road, Convent Station, from 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

**Assumption College for Sisters...not just for Sisters!** Assumption College for Sisters, Denville, is proud to announce its theology and philosophy courses for the Spring semester, **January 9- May 9, 2018**, along with **two new offerings**:

Sacred Scripture II                      Thursdays 9:00.-11:45 a.m.  
Mystery of God                              Tuesdays 9:00. - 11:45 a.m.  
Mary & the Scriptures                      Thursdays 12:30 - 3:15 p.m.  
Philosophy of the Human Person  
    Tuesdays 12:30.-1:45 p.m. & Fridays 9:00.-10:15 a.m.  
Special Topics in English: Women in Literature  
    Mon. 2:00-3:15 p.m.                      Thurs. 12:45-2:00 p.m.  
Developmental Psychology (Online)  
Pre-requisite: acs OCO Online Course Orientation  
\$510/course for credit                      \$255/course for audit  
**For registration call or e-mail by December 18:**  
**973-957-0188 Ext. 106 [academicdean@acs350.org](mailto:academicdean@acs350.org).**

**Become a Hospice Volunteer** ~ Visiting Nurse Association of Northern New Jersey hospice volunteers provide terminally ill patients and their families with practical and emotional support. VNA offers a free comprehensive training program where volunteers learn the philosophy of hospice and become prepared for this rewarding work. Volunteers must be at least 18 years old, have a valid driver's license and auto insurance, and pass a criminal background screening. For more information, please contact Rachel Enderle, Volunteer Coordinator, at 973-451-4128 or [renderle@vnannj.org](mailto:renderle@vnannj.org).

✧ NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION FORM ✧			
Family Name: _____		Date: _____	
Address: _____		City: _____	Zip: _____
Telephone (H) _____		(Cell): _____	
E-Mail: _____		Would you like to join our Parish E-mail List?: _____	
Husband: _____		Religion: _____	
Wife: _____		Religion: _____	
List Only Those Living With You:			
Children	Date of Birth	Religion	School & Grade
Children Eligible for CCD: _____		Others living with you? _____	How Related? _____

