

JANUARY 27, 2019 3rd SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



St. Joseph

Catholic Church

*A community
of faith
growing in
God's love*

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**DO PEOPLE
KNOW THAT
I AM STILL
AMONG YOU
THROUGH
YOUR
ACTIONS?**

MASS

Sat. 5:00PM

Sun. 9:00AM &
11:00AM

Mon. 9:00AM

Tues. 9:00AM

Wed. 9:00AM

Fri. 9:00AM

Holy Days—
check bulletin

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Some thoughts from Fr. Mike...

Dear Friends,

Jesus was definitely the center of attention when he declared the Lord's year of favor as he preached in the Synagogue. He opened the scroll and read a passage from the prophet Isaiah, who declared many years before that the long-awaited Messiah would bring Good News to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives, give sight to the blind and set the downtrodden free. Then, when he had the full attention of the congregation, he calmly and deliberately announced, "This text is being fulfilled today even as you listen." It was a declaration that the moment of salvation has arrived and that he was the long-awaited Messiah. Jesus was the fulfillment of all that God's people longed for. For some of those who heard the announcement there must have been at least a moment of shock as they tried to come to terms with the realization that the holy one of God turned out to be one of their own. There must have also been some jubilation in the hearts of some who would dare to believe that the hope of ages was now present in their midst. Some of the listeners may have been bursting with expectancy to realize that God, far from abandoning them, was near at hand, concerned and interested in their well-being.

The message of the Gospel, this message of hope, the news of the fulfillment of God's promises is still one that seeks to bring hope, joy and relief into the lives of others. However, the message of Jesus can only serve its intended purpose today through each one of us. There are so many ways that we can make the words of Jesus, about bringing glad tidings to the poor, liberty to captives and sight to the blind, come alive through us so that others come to realize and believe that the message is still being fulfilled in our hearing. There are too many people who have lost hope, forgotten the message or believe that God is not close to us. We give life to the message when we help those whose hearts have grown cold and are weighed down by the challenges they must face.

Perhaps this Gospel passage is meant to challenge us to reflect on how our lives proclaim the Good News to others today. Let us remember that our lives leave an imprint, good or bad, on the lives of others.

Prayers and peace,

Fr. Mike

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Mass Schedule + Readings

Saturday	January- 26	St Timothy - St Titus (2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5 Mk 3:20-21)
5:00pm	<i>Betty Galbe</i>	r/b The Family
Sunday	January- 27	3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Neh8:2-4a. 5-6. 8-10 1 Cor 12:12-30 Lk 1:1-4; 4; 14-21)
9:00am	<i>Dorothy Noviello</i>	r/b The Detwiler-Rabinowicz Families
11:00am	<i>Giuseppe Juan Ragusa</i>	r/b Antoinette Ragusa
Monday	January- 28	St Thomas Aquinas (Heb 9:15 24-28 Mk 3:22-30)
9:00am	<i>Elizabeth Kelly</i>	r/b The King Family
Tuesday	January- 29	Weekday (Heb 10:1-10 Mk 3:31-35)
9:00am	<i>Kathy Lou Kelcher</i>	r/b The Hill Family
Wednesday	January- 30	Weekday (Heb 10: 11-18 Mk 4:1-20)
9:00am	<i>Connie Olender</i>	r/b Bill & Marie Schubel
Thursday	January- 31	Saint John Basco (Heb 10:19-25 Mk 4:21-25) <i>No Mass</i>
Friday	February- 1	Weekday (Heb 10:32-39 Mk 4:26-34)
9:00am	<i>Fortunata DiDiefano</i>	r/b Theresa Bovaird
Saturday	February- 2	Weekday (Mal 3:1-4 Heb 2:14-18 Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32)
5:00pm	<i>Joseph Giglio</i>	r/b The Rollo Family
Sunday	February- 3	4th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Jer 1:4-5, 17-19 1 Cor 12:31-13:13 or 13:4-13 Lk 4:21-30)
9:00am	<i>Lee Caldarise</i>	r/b Debbie & John Schoeller
11:00am	<i>Lois Rosiak</i>	r/b The Costello Family



Sanctuary Candle... this week

John & Joanna Semanchick r/b John & Jean

To dedicate a Sanctuary Candle in memory of or for the intention of a loved one, Please call the office @ 732-792-2270. The donation is \$10.00.

Prayer Chain Contacts:

Patty Hileman 732-446-7651 Mary Costagliola 732-446-4255

Please Keep in your prayers:

The Sick and the lonely, the safe return of our service men and women and for vocations to the priesthood and religious life..

STEWARDSHIP CORNER..

All of our choices, decisions and actions will leave a mark in this world. We must decide if that mark will give hope or not.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE REPORT

January 20th - \$6,269.00
Debt Reduction - \$45.00

*Thank you for your generosity and
may God bless you for your support!*


WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE

Don't forget that the winter clothing drive ends today, Sunday, January 27. The items we are collecting are new or gently used hats, gloves, scarves, and boots. We are also collecting new warm socks. The items will be given to United Way and Loaves and Fishes so that they can be distributed to those in need of the items. Please remember that we will only collect the items listed above and only during the dates specified. Thanks.

PARENT/CHILD BREAKFAST

The Parent/Child Breakfast takes place today, Sunday, January 27 at 12:00 Noon. All are invited. There will be a wonderful breakfast, speakers to share their thoughts with the children, some prizes and a good time. Tickets are \$5.00 per person can be purchased at the door today. Guest speakers at the breakfast this year will include Nicholas Gravina who is a wrestler for the Rutgers Wrestling Team and Kat Muzik who plays on the Rutgers Tennis Team.

BAPTISM PREPARATION SESSIONS

 Parents who will have a child baptized must attend a Baptism Preparation session. Sponsors (Godparents) are invited to attend. The next session will take place on Friday, February 1st at 7:00PM. If you will be attending, please contact the parish Office to register. For questions about Baptismal Preparation contact the Parish Office.

BAKE SALE

The Ladies of St. Joseph will be having a Bake Sale on Sunday, February 3rd after each Mass. Donations of baked items will be gladly accepted. Drop off any baked goods in the Parish Hall kitchen on Saturday 2/2 or Sunday, 2/3 before Mass. All proceeds from the bake sale are used to support the parish functions sponsored by the Ladies of St. Joseph. For more information



about the bake sale contact Jo Ann at jokronenthal@yahoo.com or 732-446-4326.

Thanks for your support

FOOD COLLECTION



The next food collection will be on February 2/3. Non-perishable food items, paper goods and toiletries are appreciated. You can bring frozen food contributions to the Millstone Community Center on any Tuesday morning between 10:00AM and 11:30AM at the door to the lower level on Stage Coach Rd. You may also contact Greg at 732- 539-5042 to arrange pick up of frozen foods.

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES PRAYER PARTNERS

Would you be willing to pray for one of our Confirmation Candidates each day until June 4th when they will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation? If you would, you are welcome to take a name from the Confirmation Prayer Box (found on the table in the entryway of the Church) and pray for the individual listed on the sheet. Let us lift up in prayer the young people of the parish who are going to be offered the gifts of the Holy Spirit!

JESUS DAY

A morning of preparation for those who will receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist for the first time will take place on Saturday, February 2 beginning at 9:30AM. All those preparing for the Sacraments must participate in this time of preparation. Please pray for the young people of the parish who are preparing for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist.

HOST FAMILIES NEEDED



Once again this year we will be hosting members of the NET Team Ministries to lead a retreat for our Confirmation students. We are in need of families to host members of the retreat team over night. They would arrive after 9:00PM and will be leaving in the morning. The retreat team will be here March 13. If you are able to host some of the retreat team members or would like more information, please contact Jean in the Parish Office or email Jeanstjoseph@optonline.net.

READERS CLUB

The next book selected for the Readers' Club is ***The Woman in the Window: A Novel*** by A.J. Finn. ***The Woman in the Window*** is a twisty, powerful Hitchcockian thriller about an agoraphobic woman who believes she witnessed a crime in a neighboring house. Grab a copy to read and then join us for our next meeting on Wednesday, February 6th at 7:00PM. The theme for food, which has turned the Readers' Club into a gourmet food club as well, will be New York, New York. If you will be attending, please be sure to RSVP to Fran at ambiofran@gmail.com. All are welcome to come and enjoy good discussion, good food and good company!

NIGHT AT THE RACES

Night at the Races will be returning this year – it will be held on Saturday, March 30. Come enjoy an evening of Horse Racing, food and fun. Those who attended last year had a wonderful time. If anyone would like to donate prizes from your business or as a sponsor, please contact Dave dcerulosr@gmail.com or 732-781-6623.

PARISH NIGHT - LINE DANCING

The Ladies of St. Joseph are sponsoring a Parish Night-Line Dancing event on Friday, February 22, 2019, from 7-9 pm, in the Parish Hall. Food and beverages will be served before the line-dancing session. All are welcome. Please sign up on the sheet in the vestibule. For more info contact JoAnn at jokronenthal@yahoo.com or 732-446-4326.

LOVE AS DEPICTED IN THE MOVIES

Join us as we examine the theme of LOVE as it is offered in several movies. Even if you were unable to attend the previous sessions, feel free to join us as we watch *The Notebook*. Join us on Thursday, January 31 at 6:30PM or Friday, February 1 at 10:00AM. If you did not already sign up, but would like to join us email Carmen at Carmenstjoseph@optonline.net. If you already signed up, you do not need to do anything else. See you at the movies!

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children's Liturgy of the Word takes place on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at the 9:00AM and 11:00AM Masses. Children, age 5 and over, are invited to participate in this opportunity to hear God's Word. New volunteers are always welcome. To see how you can help, feel free to come down to the hall during the Children's Liturgy of the Word to observe or talk with one of the volunteers – or call Fr. Mike at the Parish office.

DONATION STATEMENTS

If you are in need of a donation letter for tax purposes, please send a self-addressed envelope to the Parish Office

ST. ROSE OF LIMA SCHOOL

Visit St. Rose of Lima School during our Open House on Sunday, January 27 from 9-noon, or on Wednesday, January 30 from 9 to 11AM. Private tours are available at your convenience (call 732-462-2646). Join our school community where we continue our 143-year tradition of a "Gospel-centered education that empowers our students to become responsible and productive members of Church and society."

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

The Hospitality Committee invites you to help with Hospitality. If you would like to be part of the Hospitality Committee that gives the Parish an opportunity to socialize once a month after Mass, contact Elaine at emlandy@yahoo.com. Thanks for considering being a part of the group.

CHOIRS

Join the choir – lift your voice in praise of God. We have a Children’s Choir for the young people of the parish and the St. Joseph Choir for teens and adults. You can sign up on the list that is on the table at the entrance of the church or contact Kristine Kris0373@aol.com or 973-768-4184. All are welcome to be part of the Choirs as we sing our praise to God.

SHOP AT AMAZON - SUPPORT THE PARISH

Help support the parish by designating St. Joseph Church as the charity you wish to support. Eligible purchases will result in Amazon donating a portion to the parish. You do have to designate St. Joseph Church, Millstone Twp. as your charity. You also have to use the Amazon Smile site instead of the normal Amazon site.

Go to <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/22-6103657> (a direct link) or go to our website and click the link. Thanks for your support!

STAY CONNECTED – FIND THE LATEST NEWS

Don’t forget to stay in touch with parish events through social media. Find out what is going on by visiting our website at

www.stjosephmillstone.org. Connect with the parish on Facebook. Give our page a like to keep informed about events. You can find the parish page on Facebook at St. Joseph Catholic Church Millstone Twp. NJ or @stjosephchurchmillstone.

Stay informed – stay connected!

Parish Giving

A convenient way to donate is through online Parish Giving. This is offered free of charge to you so that you may make donations by credit card or transfer from your checking account. Check it out at WWW.stjosephmillstone.org and click on “Contribute/Donate” then click on the link for **Electronic Giving**. You can then set up an account or choose a onetime donation without an account. If you have any questions about this, please feel free to contact the Parish Office.

*Let our lives proclaim the Good
News of salvation!*

→ Calendar of Events ←

Jan 27	12:00PM – Parent/Child Breakfast Winter Clothing Drive Ends
Jan 30	9:30AM – Legion of Mary Meeting
Jan 31	6:30PM – Love as Depicted in the Movies
Feb 1	10:00AM – Love as Depicted in the Movies 7:00PM – Baptism Prep Session
Feb 2	9:30AM - Jesus Day – 2 nd Grade PREP Students
Feb 3	Parish Food Collection Children’s Liturgy of the Word Bake Sale (after each Mass) 10:00AM – RCIA 12:30PM - Baptisms
Feb 4	7:00PM – Building & Grounds Committee
Feb 5	7:30PM – Ladies of St. Joseph Meeting
Feb 6	7:00PM – Readers’ Club Meeting
Feb 7	6:30PM – Love as depicted in the movies
Feb 8	10:00AM – Love as depicted in the movies
Feb 10	Hospitality Sunday 10:00AM – RCIA
Feb 12	7:30PM – Men’s Guild Meeting
Feb 13	10:00AM – Prayer Shawl Ministry
Feb 17	Parish Food Collection Children’s Liturgy of the Word 10:00AM – RCIA 12:30PM - Baptisms
Feb 18	President Day Parish Office is closed No Morning Mass No Religious Education Classes
Feb 24	7:00PM – Parish Night – Line Dancing
Mar 5	Mardi Gras – Potluck Dinner
Mar 6	Ash Wednesday
Mar 8	Soup Night
Mar 30	Night at the Races

Let us praise God in all we do.

*A Good News Driven Life is
demonstrated by being Good News
people in a bad news world!*

PARISH INFORMATION

Parish Office: 732-792-2270

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BAPTISM – The Sacrament of Baptism is normally celebrated on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month at 12:30 PM. Parents are asked to register for a Baptism Preparation Session prior to the Baptism. Baptisms must be scheduled in advance by calling the Parish Office. Sponsors must obtain Sponsor forms from their home parish – Sponsors must be active practicing Catholics. The Sacrament of Baptism is not celebrated during the Season of Lent.

Marriage – Diocesan policy requires that arrangements for Marriage be made one (1) year in advance of the wedding. Refer any questions to the Pastor.

Sick Calls – Please contact the Parish Office when someone is seriously ill requiring a visit by a Priest. If someone is unable to attend Mass on a regular basis and would like to receive Communion please call the Parish Office

Registration – We are glad you are here and want you to feel like a full member of the parish. Registering as a parishioner helps us to know who you are and to stay in touch. Registration is required for sponsor forms.

Sponsor Certificates – This is a form required to be a Godparent or Sponsor for Confirmation. To receive a form, the following is required: -Be a registered, active (attends Mass) member of the parish (for at least 6 months); be at least 16 years of age; must have completed the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation; If married, have a valid marriage within the Church.