

**FEBRUARY 10, 2019 5th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**



# St. Joseph

*Catholic Church*

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

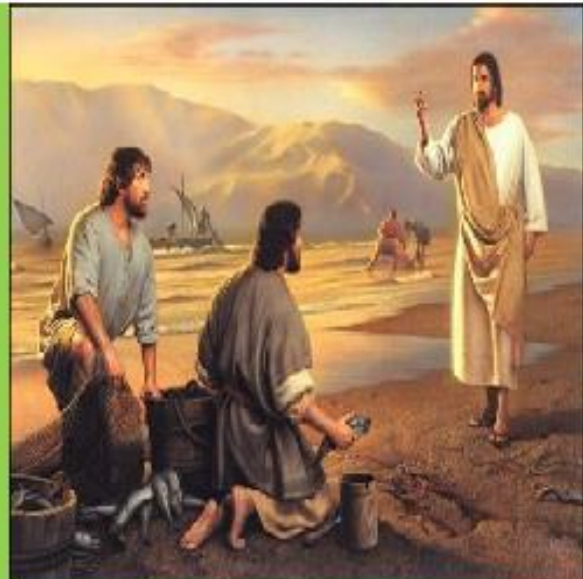
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**God does not ask about our  
ABILITY**

**But only about our  
AVAILABILITY**

**And if we show our  
DEPENDABILITY**

**God will increase our  
CAPABILITY**



## 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,

In the Gospel passage for today, we hear that Peter and his companions had been trying all night to catch fish. They were working at night because the most fish come to the surface during the night. During the day, when the sun is shining brightly, the fish stay well below the surface. This makes the request made by Jesus, that they drop their nets during the day, a bit odd. Perhaps even odder is Peter's acceptance of Jesus' instruction. Human experience stood as a witness to the belief that they would not be successful in an attempt to catch fish. Yet, Peter offered only a little argument against doing as he was requested. Something in Jesus must have touched Peter's heart, which prompted him, against his better judgment, to give in and do as Jesus asked. The outcome surpassed anything that Peter could have imagined. Peter must have realized that he was in the presence of someone holy. He became aware of his own shortcomings. Peter asked Jesus to leave because he felt unworthy to be around the holy. Peter believed that he was limited, weak and only saw himself as a fisherman who was not even always successful at that.

Jesus saw something more. Jesus did not define Peter by his weaknesses. Jesus did not limit Peter to his sinfulness. Jesus saw more. We know that Peter would go on to become the leader of the followers of Christ but Peter did not see any potential in himself. He would have never imagined that today we hold him in high esteem as a witness to Christ. He would never have had a thought of Church buildings named after him, a grave that millions of people travel to Rome to view and pray at or being held up as an example of a true follower of Jesus. No, he saw himself only as a fisherman who sometimes caught fish and sometimes came away with nothing. However, thankfully, Jesus saw more.

So perhaps the question for each one of us is how do we see ourselves? Do we see ourselves as defined only by our failures and our sins? Or, are we ready to accept that God sees more. Peter accepted Jesus' invitation to follow him. In doing so, Peter experienced freedom from the limitations that he had placed on himself. When we accept Jesus' invitation, we too can be free to find out what God sees in us.

Prayers and peace,

*Fr. Mike*

## Mass Schedule + Readings

<b>Saturday</b>	February- 9	<b>Weekday</b> (Heb 13:15-17, 20-21 Mk 6:30-34)
5:00pm	<i>Richard Joseph Dombrowski</i>	r/b The Porzl Family
<b>Sunday</b>	February- 10	<b>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> (Is 6:1-2a, 3-8 1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11 Lk 5:1-11)
9:00am	<i>Anna Garvey</i>	r/b The Tkachuk Family
11:00am	<i>Lois Rosiak</i>	r/b The Costello Family
<b>Monday</b>	February- 11	<b>Our Lady of Lourdes</b> (Gn 1:1-19 Mk 6:53-56)
9:00am	<i>Special Healing Intentions of Yolanda Cardillo</i>	r/b Frances DeRosa
<b>Tuesday</b>	February- 12	<b>Weekday</b> (Gn 1:20-2:4a Mk 7:1-13)
9:00am	<i>Diane Pape</i>	r/b The Pengue Family
<b>Wednesday</b>	February- 13	<b>Weekday</b> (Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17 Mk 7:14-23)
9:00am	<i>Dec 'd Mbrs of the Legion of Mary</i>	r/b Our Lady Refuge of Sinners
<b>Thursday</b>	February- 14	<b>Saints Cyril and Methodius</b> (Gn 2:18-25 Mk 7:24-30) <i>No Mass</i>
<b>Friday</b>	February- 15	<b>Weekday</b> (Gn 3:1-8 Mk 7:31-37)
9:00am	<i>Jeanette Brienza</i>	r/b The King Family
<b>Saturday</b>	February- 16	<b>Weekday</b> (Gn 3:9-24 Mk 8:1-10)
5:00pm	<i>Erlinda Tiese</i>	r/b The Family
<b>Sunday</b>	February- 17	<b>6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> (Jer 17:5-8 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20 Lk 6:17, 20-26)
9:00am	<i>Special Healing Intentions of Little Gabriel</i>	r/b Mema & Pa Barcellona
11:00am	<i>Anna Morin</i>	r/b Her Family



### **Sanctuary Candle... this week**

*Anna Morin* r/b Her Family

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, for vocations to the priesthood and religious life and for the hungry and the homeless.

## **STEWARDSHIP CORNER...**

*Our weaknesses can never limit us if we are willing to follow Jesus to our full potential.*

### **STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE REPORT**

**February 03<sup>rd</sup> - \$10,865.00**

**Debt Reduction - \$424.00**

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

## **HOSPITALITY SUNDAY**

Today is Hospitality Sunday – stop in the Parish Hall after Mass for some refreshments and time to socialize. New parishioners are invited to stop at the Welcome Table. We thank the members of the Hospitality and Welcome Committees for providing this opportunity! We also thank the Ladies of St. Joseph for sponsoring Hospitality Sundays.

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## **MEN'S GUILD**



The Men's Guild will hold their monthly meeting on Tuesday, February 12 at 7:30 PM in the

Parish Hall. All men of the Parish are invited to come and be a part of our Parish men's group. We look forward to hearing your ideas for activities and your help with the activities we currently offer. It's also a great way to meet other men of the parish and to feel even more connected to your parish.

For more information about the Men's Guild contact Dave [dcerulosr@gmail.com](mailto:dcerulosr@gmail.com) or 732-781-6623.

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## **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](mailto:Jeanstjoseph@optonline.net).

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## **WORLD DAY OF MARRIAGE**

Today, Sunday, February 10, is World Day of Marriage. We pray for all married couples that you may be blessed in your marriage and that you may always experience the presence of God through one another!

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## **LENTEN BIBLE STUDY**

Join us as we explore the treasure of God's wisdom in the Epistle of James. Over the course of six sessions, we will explore the themes of *Wisdom for difficult times; Wisdom as known through speech; Wisdom in relationships; a wise perspective for living; Wisdom of patience and the Wisdom of prayer and Reconciliation*. The sessions will be offered on Thursday evenings at 7:00PM and Friday mornings at 10:00AM. The study will begin on March 7/8 and conclude on April 11/12. There is a sign up sheet at the entrance of the church or you may sign up online on our parish website. For more information, contact

Carmen 732-792-2270 or

[carmenstjoseph@optonline.net](mailto:carmenstjoseph@optonline.net).

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## **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, March 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00PM. If you will be attending, please contact the parish Office to register. For questions about Baptismal Preparation contact the Parish Office.

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## **PARISH NIGHT - LINE DANCING**



The Ladies of St. Joseph are sponsoring a Parish Night-Line Dancing event on Friday, February 22 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 or on our Parish Website. All are welcome – children & adults. For more info contact JoAnn at [jokronenthal@yahoo.com](mailto:jokronenthal@yahoo.com) or 732-446-4326.

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## FOOD COLLECTION



The next food collection will be on February 16/17. 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.

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## 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](mailto:dcerulosr@gmail.com) or 732-781-6623.

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## DONATION STATEMENTS

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

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## 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](mailto:emlandy@yahoo.com). Thanks for considering being a part of the group.

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## CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children's Liturgy of the Word takes place on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.

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## MARDI GRAS POTLUCK DINNER



Lent begins on Wednesday, March 6. As has been our tradition, we will have a Mardi Gras potluck dinner on Tuesday, March 5. We begin at 6:00PM. Bring your favorite main course, side dish, salad, or dessert to share. Beverages will be provided. This has always been a great meal – a sort of feast before the fast. If you plan to come, please sign up on the list that is on the table at the entrance of the church. Dinner will be followed by a prayer service at 7:30 pm to usher in the season of Lent. See you at Mardi Gras!

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## DRUMMER NEEDED FOR EASTER

Our regular drummer is going to be away for Easter this year. If you have the talent and would like to fill in, contact Kristine - [Kris0373@aol.com](mailto:Kris0373@aol.com) or 973-768-4184. Thanks!

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## BAKE SALE

Thank you to everyone who supported the Bake Sale last week. A special thanks to everyone who donated the delicious goodies. Thanks to all the support, the Bake Sale was a wonderful success!

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## WELCOME

As a parish community we joyfully welcome:

**Angelo John Day**

who was received into God's family and the Church through the Sacrament of Baptism. Let us lift him up in our prayers.

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## LENTEN SOUP NIGHTS COORDINATOR

Our Lenten Soup Nights (on Friday evenings during Lent) have been a wonderful opportunity for the community to come together for a meal during the Lenten Season. We are in need of someone to serve as the Coordinator of the Lenten Soup Nights. The duties would be to serve as the contact person for those who are making the soup, coordinate/help with set-up and clean-up. Soup nights take place on Friday evenings at 6:30PM from March 8 until April 12. If you are interested in helping out in this role, please contact Fr. Mike at the Parish Office or [frmikestjoseph@optonline.net](mailto:frmikestjoseph@optonline.net). Thanks!

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## 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](mailto:Kris0373@aol.com) or 973-768-4184. All are welcome to be part of the Choirs as we sing our praise to God.

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## 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!

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## 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](http://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!**

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## *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](http://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.

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## → Calendar of Events ←

- Feb 10 Hospitality Sunday  
10:00AM – RCIA
- Feb 13 9:30AM - Legion of Mary Meeting  
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 22 7:00PM – Parish Night – Line Dancing
- Mar 1 7:00PM – Baptism Prep Session
- Mar 3 Parish Food Collection  
Children’s Liturgy of the Word  
10:00AM – RCIA  
12:30PM - Baptisms
- Mar 5 Mardi Gras – Potluck Dinner  
No Religious Education ClsSES
- Mar 6 **Ash Wednesday**  
9:00AM – Mass  
4:30PM – Mass  
7:00PM - Mass
- Mar 7 7:00PM – Bible Study
- Mar 8 10:00AM – Bible Study  
6:30PM - Soup Night  
7:30PM - Stations of the Cross
- Mar 10 *Daylight Savings Begins*  
Hospitality Sunday  
10:00AM - RCIA
- Mar 11 6:00PM – 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation –  
Tues 4:30PM Class
- Mar 12 7:30PM – Men’s Guild Meeting
- Mar 13 4:00PM – Confirmation Retreat
- Mar 19 6:00PM – 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation –  
Mon 4:30PM Class
- Mar 25 6:00PM – 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation –  
Tues 6:30PM Class
- Mar 27 6:00PM – 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation -  
Mon 6:30PM Class
- Mar 30 Night at the Races
- Mar 31 Pancake Breakfast

*Let us praise God in all we do.*

***Say YES to following Jesus and find out that God sees you as much more than your weaknesses - God sees what is possible!***

## PARISH INFORMATION

Parish Office: 732-792-2270

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**BAPTISM** – The Sacrament of Baptism is normally celebrated on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.