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MASS & CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Daily Mass:

Monday-Saturday 8:35 AM

Weekend Masses:

Saturday 4:45 PM Sunday 7:15 AM 9:30 AM 11:30 AM 6:00 PM

Holyday Masses:

Vigil 5:00 PM Holyday 8:35 AM & 7:00 PM

Confessions:

Saturday 4 - 4:30 PM

or by appointment

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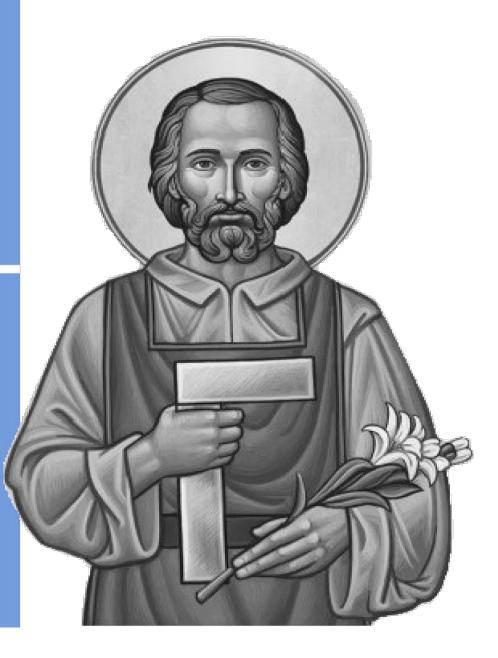
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MASS INTENTIONS are combined as

follows:

4:45 Mass will combine 4:45, 7:15 & 6:00 intentions.. 9:30 will combine 9:30 & 11:30 intentions..

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Mon. 8:35AM Christine Boehler

R/B Ridi & Frank

Tue. 8:35AM Angela Putvinski

R/B George Putvinski

8:35AM Guiseppe Bocchieri

R/B Silvana & Joe Dudajek

8:35AM Jane Schmidt

R/B Stevens Family

.Wed. 8:35AM Bill Dorr

R/B Barbara Dorr

Thu.. 8:35AM George, Vivian & George Jr Shields

R/B Ginny Jackson

Fri. 8:35AM George Pallela

R/B Susan Wund

8:35AM Dr. George

R/B Shanta George

Sat. 4:45PM Marie & Ed Loonev

R/B Carol & Anthony Guidotti

4:45PM Al Wund & Christina Walsh

R/B Susan Wund

4:45PM People of Our Parish

Sun. 9:30AM Jay Roake

R/B Anne Marie Roake

9:30AM Annamma Palamthattel

R/B Raju Thomas & Family

9:30AM Maria Marini

R/B Angela Stuebben

9:30AM Mary Flannery

R/B Sharon Sweeney

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1 Mark 1:40-45

Fireside Psalms

Thursday, February 11 Psalm 60 (Sixty)

Lent begins in ten days.



FEBRUARY 17 DISTRIBUTION OF ASHES

PLEASE NOTE – THE ONLY TIME YOU NEED TO REGISTER IS FOR THE 5:00 PM SERVICE.

 After the 8:35 M Mass in Church (This will be a regular precautions Mass. Thursday, 2/18 will be the "seraphim" Mass for the week.

The following will be distributed outdoors and will involve no person-to-person contact:

- After the 10:00 AM Communion Service in the parking lot
- During the 5:00 PM Service of Ashes in the parking lot (registration required)
- Between 7:00 and 8:00 pm, by Fr. Hank, in front of the church, drive-up



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- After Indoor Mass Take one from the table in the Gathering Space (limit 2 per household)
- After Communion Services Wait in your space after the service and one will come to you
- Drive-by Pickup at Church Drive by the parish hall door on Thursday, February 11, between 11am and 1pm.
- Stay Home If you received a Christmas gift from the parish, you are on the "delivery list" and a copy of the book will be brought to your home

February 7, 2021



This Moment in Prayer, Service and Community

February 5 Dear All, Christ's Peace!

"Sad to leave. Glad to go." I completely enjoyed my time on retreat and am very happy to be back with you. Thanks to God and the good sisters, it was a time of significant grace.

This week's letter is a little on the short side. My hope is that, after reading this, you will take the 10-15 minutes required to read the financial update.on our parish website. Its bottom line? If you keep doing what you are doing, we will remain on a solid financial footing. Thanks for taking the time to learn more about our finances.

This Moment in Prayer

Ash Wednesday & Lent - These

next days are great days to consider your ways of honoring Lent. How might the Lord be nudging you to use the season of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving in a way that leads you to start an inspired habit or stop an uninspired habit?

Our Parish Necrology – You can submit edits and additions until Tuesday night. Sean is making remarkable progress with your requests. Three thoughts to keep in mind: First, it is better if we work around "in-law" designations. Rather than Andrew Smith identify Betty Jones as his "mother-in-law," have Cathy Smith submit the request and list

Betty Jones as "Mother." Second, we need to restrict the listings to parents, siblings, spouses, children, and grandchildren. Third, yes, we want to pray for parishioners of long-standing who have no one to submit their names, but we have not yet figured out how to work that. Stay tuned.

This Moment in Service

Hillsborough Food Bank – You are doing a terrific job with the food bank. The folks who run it sing your praises. They are asking all donors, including us, to stay mindful of two requests. First, smaller is generally better. Many of the families we help have little in the way of storage space. "Family size" packages are not in great demand. Moreover, many of those we help are single or are from families of two or three. Second, fresher is always better. This is for sure NOT a problem with our donations, but the food bank sometimes ends up with food that is at or past the "best by" date. Please double check. Mostly, please keep doing a great job.

This Moment in Community

Becca's Friends – Our parish club for people with special needs has Zoom gatherings. Friday's "Valentine's Trivia" was hosted by our dear Matt Duffek. Thanks to all ministry members for being there – and thanks to those who participated in last week's most excellent conversation.

Contribution Letters – If you contributed \$100 or more to St. Joe's this year, your contribution letter has been mailed. If you requested email, it has been emailed. The snow has snarled the mail a little and some of the letters just went out – but let us know if your letter is not there when you need it. Thanks!

Parish Finances – The bottom line is simple: if you keep doing what you are doing, we will remain on solid financial ground. Please see report on our parish website and take 10 or 15 minutes to learn a little more about our pre-pandemic finances, our financial status in the pandemic, and our bank accounts. Also, the review will increase your awareness of how dedicated you and your parishioners are to St. Joe's. Relevant documentation will be posted to our website in the next few weeks.

With all best blessings,

Father Hank

February 7, 2021



HEALING PRAYER

Healing Prayer invites anyone who is ill, facing surgery, hurting, anxious, burdened or worried to seek prayer for themselves or others. Jesus working through the minister will bring healing, glory and grace to your soul. God's love guides the ministers as they pray. All sessions are private & confidential.

Healing prayer requests can be not only for yourself but also for family and friends. Requests may cover healing of body, mind and spiritual issues.

Members of our Healing Prayer Ministry have created a virtual option and a phone option which is offered at 10:30AM after the 9:30 Sunday Mass and takes place every other weekend until we are back to normal.

Sundays, February 7 & 21 March 7 & 21

To participate in the virtua meeting, click on https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7692788835 and follow the directions. You can also engage the healing prayer over the phone by calling 1-929-205-6099 and then the ID number key in 769-278-8835#.

SAGES

Blessings for all who picked up your parish calendars. Our distribution team loved seeing you here. Remember that the tent goes back up in fewer than 12 weeks, and the fun will then re-begin!

Meanwhile, email AnnaMaria if you want to join the Sages Hiking Group first outing is March 19, our Patron's feast.

Details to follow.

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COMING ATTRACTIONS



Pasta Night, Friday, February 12 Sign up on parish webpage closes at 10PM on Wednesday, February 10.

Neither sleet nor snow nor pandemic threat can keep our Knights from their appointed noodles. Pasta Night goes on – in a new and different way. You can specify your preference for the meal and the pick-up time on the signup form. Knights will then roller-skate your meal(s) from the stove to your car when you pull up by the Parish Hall. (Disclaimer: Not all the Knights have yet agreed to deliver on roller skates, but we still have time to train them.)



Celebration of Marriage Sunday, February 14, 1:00PM

– Calling all married couples! Come to the 1:PM Communion Service in the parking lot and stick around for the extra blessing for your marriage. If you are celebrating 25th, 50th, or a multiple of 5 that is greater than 50 – e.g., 60 or 75 – you get the extra, extra special treatment. **Registration on our parish website is now limited!** Be sure to indicate if you are having one of those big anniversaries. Also – get going with your car-decorating ideas. "(Feels like we were) JUST MARRIED"? Strings of beer cans tied to the bumper? (Is that still legal?) Your cummerbund tied to the antenna? And what about your wedding dress?



Crab-Cakes! Friday, March 26

Friday of Palm Sunday weekend will be when we discover if local crab cakes can compare to the best from Baltimore. Either way, the contest will be delicious. Mark your calendar!

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Families that need assistance completing the online application or need access to a computer to apply should contact their school.

IN GOD'S IMAGE

In God's Image, the Catholic Faith Sharing Group for gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender people at Church of the Sacred Heart, South Plainfield, meets the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 7:00PM. Our next meeting is February 10 and will be on Zoom. Please email for more information. The group is open to LGBTQ adults, 18 and over, and their families. All are welcome for faith sharing, prayer, conversation and support. For more information, contact Fr John at 908 756 0633, ext 125 or the group may be reached by contacting 908 822 5895 or by emailingsa-credheartigi@gmail.com.



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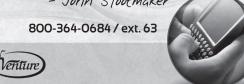
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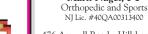




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