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MASS & CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Daily Mass: Monday-Friday

(Wednesday is an Enhanced-precautions mass-6' spacing and masks are encouraged.)

Outdoor Communion Service:

Wednesday	10:00 AM
(This service is held	l outdoors. Attendees
remain in their car ar	d tune into FM 88.7.)

Weekend Masses:

Saturday	4:45 PM
Sunday	8:00 AM
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(This mass is outside under the tent/attendees

Confessions:

Until further notice, Confessions are by Appointment only. Typically, Saturday morning between 10am - 12pm. Other times are possible. Email Fr. Hank at fatherhank@sjmillstone.com for an appointment.

Sacrament of the Sick

In Emergency- Please call 908-874-3141 and press 1 for a priest. Non-Emergency-Please email FatherHank@sjmillstone.com

EMERGENCIES Crisis Pregnancy Hotline-732-516-0911

Suicide Prevention NJ Lifeline—1-800-273TALK Teen Crisis Text Hotline—Text 741741

Emergency Meals emergencymeals@stjosephsparish.com

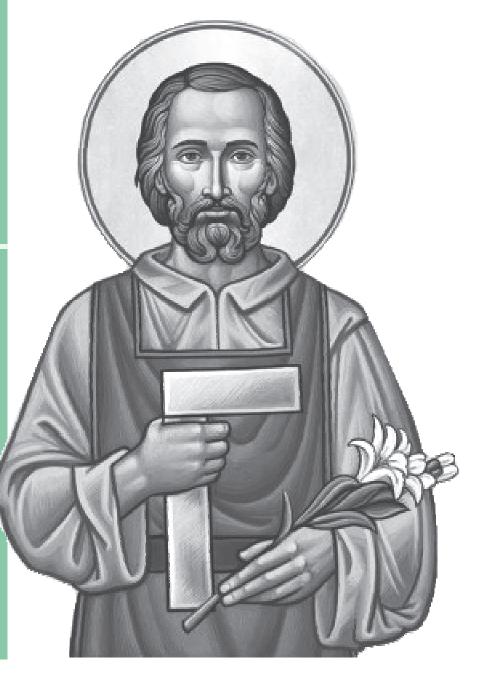
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INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Mon.	8:35 AM Anthony Maita R/B McDevitt Family
Tue.	8:35 AM Mary McKenna
100.	R/B Peter Giampietro
	8:35AM Bryan & Kevin Canavan
	R/B Ginny Jackson
	8:35AM Frank Meyler
	R/B Susan & Bob Pristas
Wed.	8:35AM Jay Roake
	R/B Ann Marie Roake
Thu.	8:35AM Loretta Cavanagh
	R/B Bob & Barb Canavan
Fri.	8:35AM William Drummer
	R/B Higgins Family
	8:35AM Lawrence & Mary Jerzewski
	R/B Lois & Ed Jerzewski
Sat.	4:45PM Mei Lee
	R/B Terry Lee
	4:45PM Bernie Mueller
_	R/B Paulette Matis
Sun.	8:00AM People of the Parish
Sun.	9:30AM Joan F. Rosa
	R/B Maryellen M. Tobia
	9:30AM Michael Gleason
	R/B Ann Spitzer
	9:30AM Angela Laurenzi
	R/B Delores DiNardo
	11:30AM Daniel Pepe
	R/B Grace Pepe & Family

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13 Luke 4:21-30

Behind the Scenes of This Week's Readings

Today's Gospel- Luke 4:16-21 According to custom, when Jesus was in Nazareth he went into the synagogue, on the sabbath. For the Jews there was only one Temple s in Jerusalem, but a synagogue could be found in almost every town where Jews lived. It was where they would gather for school, meetings, socializing and prayer. Jesus was at the synagogue for the Sabbath Prayer Service which consisted of two readings, one from the Torah and one from the Prophets, followed by a very brief sermon. Any adult male could do the readings and even give the sermon. Jesus was second and he read from the prophet Isaiah. When he finished he gave his sermon in one sentence: "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing." -Dorothy Gearon



Dear All – Christ's peace! Welcome back to Ordinary Time.

This Week in Prayer

Anointing of the Sick – The requests for anointings have been quite numerous for several weeks. Good for you. I can anoint you after Mass, in the parking lot on Saturday mornings, or by appointment. When in doubt, get anointed.

Spring Sacraments – Bishop Checchio will celebrate Confirmation here on Thursday, April 7. First Communions will be on Saturday, May 7, and First Confessions (using last year's revised format) will be on March 5, 12, 19, and 26. We thank God for our young people, their families, their catechists, and all who encourage them to "grow in the ways of the Lord."

Memorial Mass for Emily Murillo – If your schedule allows, please join many members of the parish for a Memorial Mass to mark the first anniversary of the death of 17-year-old Emily Murillo. Emily died in the canal on January 29, 2021. Details to follow..

This Week in Service

New Adventures in Social Ministry – For many years, our Social Ministries programs have benefited greatly from the leadership offered by Michelle Laffoon. Gail Bellas has also helped our parishioners answer the call while Carlene Thompson and MaryAnn Baranowski have provided very important background help. With Michelle's and Gail's retirements last summer, and with the arrival of Jeanine Cavanagh, our new Director of Social Ministries, familiar programs will receive new energies and new programs will take root.

Among Jeanine's many hopes, based on her nearly four decades of Social Ministries work at Seton Hall University and Immaculate Conception Parish, is the hope to provide service-immersion experiences for adults. Our Youth Ministry program, under the energetic leadership of Bob Ferretti, currently provides parish-sponsored opportunities for our young parishioners to immerse themselves in service. Jeanine will soon be facilitating similar experiences for adults. Jeanine's enthusiasm for the immersion adventures is fed by the American bishops' reminder that parish social ministry is "an extension of the public ministry of Christ" and by the bishops' statement that "Parish Social Ministry is an

expression of who we are and what we believe.... It is part of what keeps a parish alive and makes it truly Catholic."

Experience tells us that service-immersion experiences – such as a weekend working at a help center in Philadelphia or a week helping to build homes in Appalachia – can provide priceless growth in faith and good works. Service-immersion experiences provide unique opportunities to grow as priests, prophets, and kings/queens. Stay tuned for news about information sessions for this year's service-immersion trips.

Po-Life Car Magnets – The supply on the Moses table has been replenished. Take one for your car.

This Week in Community

Contribution Letters - Monica McDevitt, our parish Business Manager, is now preparing contribution statements for mailing. Anyone who has donated \$100 or more will receive a printed statement. If you would rather receive your statement by email, please email Monica at mmcdevitt@stjosephsparish.com or call her at 908-874-3141 x226. Thank you for your continued support of the parish. Buildings and Grounds - W have some big projects coming up. Our first will be replacement of the church roof. That will cost about \$115,000 and we have the money in the building account. The next big expense will be the HVAC replacement for the north part of the church. That will happen a few months from now and will cost about \$225,000. We will have the money in the bank when we start. Your generosity enables us to put money aside and to plan these renovations so that we do not have to do them on an emergency basis – which is always much more costly.

Let there be (even better) Music – As we look a few months down the road and anticipate warmer weather and less Covid, it is time to start thinking about renewal of our music programs. The requirements for all choirs at all Masses are the same. You must be a Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass or Instrumentalist. You must have experience singing, humming, or whistling either in public (e.g., choirs or performances) or in private (e.g., cars and showers). Finally, you must derive satisfaction from knowing you are helping others to pray and experience Christ's peace. Possible? Email Matt Viola at mviola@stjosephsparish.com.

With great gratitude and all best blessings, Fr Hank



St. Joseph ANNUAL PASTA NIGHT

Friday, January 28, 2022

Advance Pre-Paid Ordering Schedule Your Car-Side Pick-Up Time

4:30 PM – 6:45 PM at parish.

Visit our Home Page on the parish website: <u>www.simillstone.com</u>

Choose from:

Rigatoni with 2 Meatballs and a Dinner Roll-\$12.00

Penne Vodka and a Dinner Roll-\$10.00

Gluten Free Penne Vodka with 2 Gluten Free Meatballs -\$12.00

Side Order of 6 Meatballs – \$12.00

All proceeds from this event will support the Knights of Columbus Ultrasound Initiative Program that provides funding for the purchase of ultrasound equipment for Pro-Life pregnancy centers to aid in making decisions to save the unborn.

SOCIAL CONCERNS

Jeanine Cavanaugh, Director of Social Ministries jcavanagh@sjmillstone.com

Food Pantry Ministry – Please email Jeanine Cavanagh if you would like to learn about our parish's new Food Pantry ministry. This promises to be a ministry that offers service opportunities for people of all ages, schedule flexibility, and physical stamina

Your Gifts to Appalachia - Watch the Video Jeanine Cavanaugh prepared a video that illustrates the movement of gifts from our Memorial Hallway to the Children of Appalachia. Go to our parish webpage to view it.

SAGES ACTIVITIES

We look forward to resuming our SAGES activities on February 14. Stay tuned and stay safe!

General Information: To learn more about SAGES and all options for our over-55 parishioners, visit our website at SAGES Senior Ministry <u>http://sjmillstone.com/sages</u> For more info contact AnnaMaria at 908-874-2141 e3xt 240 or arealbuto@stjosephsparish.com



HEALING PRAYER IN PERSON RETURNS TO CHURCH Our next Healing Sundays are February 12 & 13

Immediately after the 4:45 PM, 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM Masses



WORLD MARRIAGE DAY MASS Sunday, February 13 11:30 Mass

Building on last year's very successful adaptation of our greatly blessed celebrations of World Marriage Day, we will be celebrating it again this year.. Of course, we will be paying special tribute to couples who celebrate their 25th, 50th, and greater anniversaries this year. Stay tuned for more details and instructions about registration. By celebrating at the 11:30, couples can either come inside or stay in their cars. Or maybe even have one person inside and the other outside!

POSTPONED

Synod 2023 - Listening Sessions Online Questionnaire Now Available Due to ongoing concerns about the Covid-19 pandemic, the Synod 2023 Listening Sessions originally scheduled to take place on Jan. 25, have been postponed. More information and the new date(s) for the Listening Sessions will be announced in the coming weeks. In the meantime, all are invited to visit the Diocese of Metuchen's website, diometuchen.org/synod2023, to share their feedback by completing the online questionnaire.

Synod 2023 - Eucharistic Forty Hours

While the 2023 Synod Listening Sessions have been postponed, the Eucharistic Forty Hours in each of the eight deaneries in the Diocese of Metuchen will still be held beginning on Sunday, January 23, and ending on Tuesday, January 25. This opportunity for prayer, to listen to what the Lord is asking of us, will set the tone for our future listening sessions. **To view the list of hosting parishes, visit: diometuchen.org/synod2023.**

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Please send info for the bulletin no later than Friday, 8 days prior to the weekend you want the article to appear, directly to stjoebulletin@yahoo.com.

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Questions? Contact Dorothy at stjoebulletin@yahoo.com. Thank You.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

February 4-6, 2022

For a truly meaningful Christmas present, one that lasts long after the decorations have been put away, why not give your spouse the gift of a Marriage Encounter Weekend?

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend gives you the time and tools to revitalize romance,

deepen communication and nourish the spirituality in your marriage.

The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held February 4 - 6.

Please apply ASAP as space is limited.

Phone 1-732-904-9636 for application and information (Tom & Ruth DeFalco).

Visit us at: www.wwme.org for more information.



Stress In Your Marriage?

• Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage?

• Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with your spouse?

Have you thought about separation or divorce?
Does talking about it only make it worse?
RETROUVAILLE is a Lifeline to Help Couples Heal and Renew their Marriages sponsored by the Office of Family Life, Diocese of Metuchen, NJ.
RETROUVAILLE consists of a weekend experience for married couples (no group discussions) with six follow-up sessions.

The upcoming weekend is February 25 - 27, 2022. All inquiries are confidential. For further information, please contact Rich Colasuonno 732-236-0671 or Annette

Colasuonno 732-672-0748 or email 3024@helpourmarriage.org.



2021 Chrístmas Flower Offeríngs: Part 111

Doreen Astalos, Andrew Astalos f rom John & Christina Zavoda Mom & Dad from Lorraine Walkiewicz Jack Dolan from Helen Dolan Nick Visco Jr., Joe Boccelatto, Joyce Boccellato, Elizabeth Gordon from The Viscos Robert Ortiz Sr. from Robert Ortiz Joseph Schipani, Anna DiLeono from JoAnn DiLeone The Oliver Family, The Salerno Family from Colleen Zwicker Joseph P. Whiteside, Ellen & Louis Whiteside, Emma & Thomas Jones, Eileen Rooney from Norma Whiteside Matthew Maiorana, Joseph Maiorana from Marietta Maiorana Mike DeLucia, Ray Garcia from Nina DeLucia Joseph Nicolella from Joan & Nick Saluzzi The Tucciarone & Quarto families from M/M. Sal Tucciarone Robert Spitzer, Rose Verni, Pasquale Verni, Marianne Civitano from Antoinette Spitzer Bill Pauwels, Cindy Banta, Chris Blum, Shaw Family, Stavbach-Trosko Family from Robin Shaw Anthony Bottoni from Alida & Lou Bottoni George Matuszkiewicz, Marie Matuszkiewicz from Donna Komar Walter Komar. Magda Komar from Donna Komar Fred Matuskiewicz from Donna Komar Monica R. McKenzie, Alice M. McKenzie, Rudolph A. McKenzie, Maurice I. Lee from Delroy A. McKenzie Monica G. McKenzie, Zena Pringle, Neville Gibbs, Enid Lee from Delroy A. McKenzie Robert Wright, Ingrid Zierdt, Karl-Heinz Zierdt, Matthew Coyle from The Zierdt Family Deceased members of the Dillon & Mackiw Family from Linda & Myron Mackiw

To be Continued.

Sunday, Jan 23, 2022

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / WORD OF GOD SUNDAY

Those aren't fighting words

Most fights don't start with a punch, but with a word. That's because words are among the most powerful forces on the planet. Ideas divide or unite a society. Insults scar, just as kind words can heal. Our sacred story contained in scripture is a word meant to make the world whole. Pope Francis asks us to honor the word of God this Sunday. We begin by symbolically enthroning the Bible in our homes today: putting it in a place of honor. This reminds us of the deeper enthronement of God's word in our hearts. Make room for one Bible verse every day.

TODAY'S READINGS: Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; 1 Corinthians 12:12-30; Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21 (69). *"Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing."*

Monday, Jan 24, 2022

MEMORIAL OF FRANCIS DE SALES, BISHOP, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

God, our shield and our strength

We live in tumultuous times for sure. But the world has been topsyturvy before. Saint Francis de Sales lived during the religious, political, and social upheaval of the Protestant Reformation. And he became known for his gentleness and patience in the face of it. Leave it to him, the patron saint of writers, to pen a prayer that is timeless balm for troubled souls: "Do not look forward to what may happen tomorrow; the same everlasting Father who cares for you today will take care of you tomorrow and every day. Either he will shield you from suffering, or he will give you unfailing strength to bear it. Be at peace, then, put aside all anxious thoughts and imaginations . . ." A balm for these troubled times.

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Samuel 5:1-7, 10; Mark 3:22-30 (317). "If a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand."

Tuesday, Jan 25, 2022

FEAST OF THE CONVERSION OF SAINT PAUL, APOSTLE

Harden not your heart

Paul has always been a controversial figure. Before becoming a Christian, he was a persecutor of Jesus' followers. Paul's biblical words advising women to be submissive to their husbands have been alternately obeyed, rejected, and reinterpreted. But the word "conversion" on this feast reminds us what Christian life is about. The Catechism of the Catholic Church quotes Saint Ambrose on the "two conversions" in Christian life—one of them a one-time event and the other ongoing. "There are water and tears, the water of Baptism and the tears of repentance." What parts of your life still require repentance?

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Mark 16:15-18 (519). "Jesus . . . appeared to you on the way by which you came, that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit."

Wednesday, Jan 26, 2022

MEMORIAL OF TIMOTHY AND TITUS, BISHOPS

Stay the course

Evangelizing and living the gospel demands much of us. Saints Timothy and Titus serve as examples to us of holding fast to the faith among difficult circumstances. Friends and companions of Saint Paul, they ended up becoming bishops and leaders of the early church. They helped Paul to spread the gospel during those difficult early years. Timothy paid the ultimate price for encouraging others to embrace the emerging Christian faith. Reflect on the ways you choose to follow Jesus Christ and embrace his mission despite the challenges and difficulties it presents.

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Timothy 1:1-8 or Titus 1:1-5; Mark 4:1-20 (520; Gospel 319). *"[T]hose sown on rich soil are the ones who hear the word and accept it and bear fruit thirty and sixty and a hundredfold."*

Thursday, Jan 27, 2022

MEMORIAL OF ANGELA MERICI, RELIGIOUS FOUNDER

Wise counsel for the overwhelmed

On this memorial of Saint Angela Merici, 16th-century founder of the Ursuline Sisters, it makes sense to recall one of her many insights into faith-filled living. She advised the overwhelmed thus: "Do not lose heart, even if you should discover that you lack qualities necessary for the work to which you are called. He who called you will not desert you, but the moment you are in need he will stretch out his saving hand." May you find that saving hand when you reach the end of your rope.

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Samuel 7:18-19, 24-29; Mark 4:21-25 (320). *"Is a lamp brought in to be placed under a bushel basket or under a bed, and not to be placed on a lampstand?"*

Friday, Jan 28, 2022

MEMORIAL OF THOMAS AQUINAS, PRIEST, RELIGIOUS, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH Root yourself in honesty

G.K. Chesterton once said of philosopher and theologian Thomas Aquinas, "Being himself resolved to argue, to argue honestly, to answer everybody, to deal with everything, he produced books enough to sink a ship or stock a library." We could use a little more Thomas in our media, especially social media, because today we're not always sure if things are actually true or merely "internet true." For Thomas, honesty was key to communication. He considered it beautiful, honorable, and a reflection of moral goodness itself. May we take to heart his commitment to honesty in all of our communication.

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Samuel 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17; Mark 4:26-34 (321). "Once it is sown, it springs up and becomes the largest of plants and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the sky can dwell in its shade."

Saturday, Jan 29, 2022

Sea of hope

Alonzo Ketcham Parker, a 19th-century travel writer, called the Sea of Galilee "a fifth gospel" due to the amount of biblical history that occurred on its shores. It is the site where Jesus performed many of his most renowned miracles, such as walking on water, calming the storm, and feeding the multitude. Villages and settlements dotted the shore in Jesus' day, and most of Jesus' followers probably gained their livelihood and nourished their families from its bounty. The nourishment continues every time we read the vivid accounts of biblical drama that occur on the holiest of seas. Dive in!

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Samuel 12:1-7a, 10-17; Mark 4:35-41 (322). "He woke up, rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, 'Quiet! Be still!' The wind ceased and there was great calm."



Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow-a day at a time

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