SEPTEMBER 18, 2022

CONTACT INFO

Phone: 908-874-3141 Fax: 908-874-7040

www. stjosephsparish.com

Fr. Hank FatherHank@sjmillstone.com

34 Yorktown Road Hillsborough, NJ 08844-5139

MASS & CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Daily Mass:

Monday-Friday

8:35 AM

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

Outdoor Communion Service:

Wednesday	10:00 AM
(This service is	s held outdoors. Attendees
remain in their c	ar and tune into FM 88.7.)

Weekend Masses:

Saturday	4:45 PM
Sunday	8:00 AM
	(Enhanced-precautions mass-6'
spa	cing and masks are encouraged.)
	9:30 AM

11:30 AM (This mass is outside under the tent/attendees may remain in their vehicle as well.)

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

PARISH COMMUNITY OF

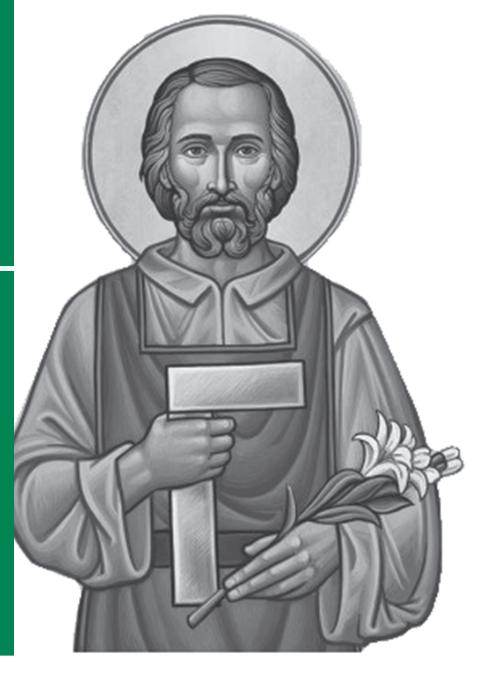
Saint Joseph

HILLSBOROUGH, NEW JERSEY

Priests

Prophets





September 18, 2022

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Mon	8:35AM Timothy M. Eck R/B Tabernero Family
Tue.	8:35 AM Aniello Maresca.
	R/B Dan & Carmela Maresca
	8:35AM Marian Abrams
	R/B Agnes & Guy Gubitosi
	8:35AM Emily Murillo
	R/B Jean Di Joseph
Wed	8:35AM Eileen McKenna
	R/B Peter Giampietro
Thur.	8:35AM Diane Peterson
	R/B Jack Peterson
Fri	8:35AM James Lawless
	R/B Eileen & Tim Lawless
	8:35AM Michael Greene
a .	R/B Sarah & Tom Greene
Sat.	4:45PM Joseph Errico
0	R/B Tina & Tom Lochmann
Sun.	8:00AM People of the Parish
	9:30AM Margaret Scott
	R/B Hilton Family
	9:30AM Richard L. Kinney R/B Maryellen M. Tobia
	9:30AM Lynda Iarkowski
•	R/B Marge Iarkowski
	11:30AM Amedeo Forzano
	R/B Walter & Florence Bercarich
	6:00PM Vera Lazowski
	R/B Lazowski Family
	,,

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

Amos 6:1a, 4-7 1 Timothy 6:11-16 Luke 16:19-31



CATECHETICAL SUNDAY September 18, 2022

Every year since 1935, on the third Sunday of September. the Church acknowledges and honors the dedication of the catechists in the parish community who work to share and teach their faith to our children. It is also a time to honor families and all who are committed to sharing their faith. This year the theme of Catechetical Sunday is "This is my Body given for you." This year's theme highlights the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist. A big THANK YOU to all our catechists, volunteers. families and staff who work so hard for our CCD program!

REGISTER BY SEPTEMBER 20



MORNING OF WELLNESS FOR ALL CAREGIVERS

Saturday, September 24, 9 AM – 1 PM

Sponsored by the Ministry to Caregivers. The theme of this event is

"Put on Your Oxygen Mask First."

Self-care sessions for the mind, the body, and the soul will be offered.

Additionally, a complimentary lunch will be served. To register, email mtc@sjmillstone.com prior to September 20th.

NEXT SATURDAY September 24 3:00 PM Under the Tent



MORRIS MUSIC MEN

an award-winning *a cappella* group made up of over 40 members ranging in age from 21 to 92. Join us Saturday, September 24 at 3:00PM under the tent before 4:45 Mass.

The church will serve as a backup venue.

ALL ARE WELCOME

and no registration is required.

POOR BOX

September 4 – 18 – Saint Francis Inn

The Saint Francis Inn has been serving meals to the neediest individuals and families in Philadelphia since 1979. Volunteers from our Parish travel several times a year to help cook, serve, and clean on the Mission of Mercy.

September 25 Back-to-school - local agencies Your generous donations will support our **Parish Back** to School Collection serving local children who go without the basic needs and supplies to get them off to a good start at school. Donations will be distributed to local agencies that serve children and families who are experiencing financial hardship.

OPPORTUNITIES TO VOLUNTEER Feeding Hands Pantry

Our good friend and neighbor, Feeding Hands Pantry, needs a few muscle people. You have to be able to lift 50 pounds. **They need help on Friday, September 23** from 8:00 to 11:00 am. Feeding Hands is on Route 22 in Bridgewater. Questions? Email Theresa D'Auria at tdauria19@gmail.com

Saint Vincent de Paul Food Pantry in Perth Amboy

The pantry, one of our newest apostolic BFFs, needs a few helpers to sort and bag groceries. We have increased our parish commitment from one to two Saturday mornings each month. Email Terry Lee at terrytulee25@gmail.com

BIBLE STUDIES Women's Bible Study

Learn more about "Walking with Purpose," our terrifically blessed bible study for women. Come to one of the open houses. The first is on Monday, September 26, at 7:00 pm. The other is Tuesday, September 27, 9:15 am. Both meetings are in the Parish Hall. Questions? Email Suzanne Kral skral@sjmillstone.com

Men's Bible Study

Email Fr. Hank if you might be willing to wade into this very spirited adventure in scripture. This year we are going through all of Matthew's Gospel. We have space for about ten more guys, maybe fifteen. The sessions are via Zoom on Wednesday evenings, starting October 5. Actually, it is a fantastic bunch of guys who have a great desire to know Jesus more



We are grateful for your past involvement in IHN, now HOME. For more than 25 years our parish has participated in this agency's stellar work in assisting the homeless! From the very beginning our volunteers not only assisted other parishes in providing shelter for the homeless, but we also were able to host families in the basement of our former church building in East Millstone. More recently we have been able to host them at our building in Millstone Borough. .Now, we need your assistance more than ever! Please see the information below regarding how you can be involved.

HOME (Housing Outreach Multifaith Empowerment) – Great thanks and blessings for the 20+ parishioners who helped the Reformed Church host the homeless families.

Can you help us help the Reformed Church in November? Email Jeanine at <u>icavanagh@sjmillstone.com</u>. And if you are not yet Virtus trained and fingerprinted, you still have time to have it done.



SAGES ACTIVITIES

Monday Funday: Luncheons and games return on September 19 at 12:00.

Tuesday Topics with Fr Hank: A series on economics basics you will be glad you understand. Classes will be held on Tuesdays – September 20, and 27 at 11:15 in the Parish Hall.

Toning Thursdays: Are now in session with Lea at 10:00AM.

Retreat: A 1-day retreat at the San Alfonso Retreat House in Long Branch, NJ on Monday, October 3.

General Information: <u>http://sjmillstone.com/sages</u> For more info or to register for an event contact AnnaMaria at 908-874-3141 ext 240 or <u>arealbuto@stjosephsparish.com</u>

Not Registered Yet? Come early on Sunday, September 18 And sign up in person.

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY (FPU) Comes to St. Joseph Parish

Financial Peace University is a self-help course providing you excellent tools and resources to help you create and live within a monthly budget, pay off debt, create an emergency fund, understand insurance and investments, and so much more. This class is open to all parishioners and non-parishioners alike.

In-person FREE classes begin Sunday, September 18, at 1:30 pm in the Parish Hall. Each class is approximately 1 hour 20 minutes. There are nine classes, taking place every Sunday through November 20 (no class November 13). Email <u>fpu@stjosephsparish.com</u> to register or come a little early and sign up in person on September 18. You can also scan the QR code below to register





Hillsborough High School Raider Marching Band Festival Saturday, October 1, 2022, 4:00 PM

The Hillsborough High School Band Parents Association (HBPA) is presenting their 28th Annual Marching Band Festival on Saturday, October 1, 2022 at 4pm with gates opening at 3:15pm. The cost this year for adults is \$12 and students/seniors is \$10. Come out and support our kids and see their fabulous show entitled, "How Long is Forever?" The HBPA is also hosting the US Bands New Jersey State Championships on Saturday, October 29, 2022 with more info to follow. Questions, contact Paula Obenauer, pcobenauer@gmail.com, (908) 230-2398.

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 <u>stjoebulletin@yahoo.com</u>. Thank You



SILVER & GOLD WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

You are cordially invited to celebrate your 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary with the Church of Metuchen and renew your marriage vows with Bishop James F. Checchio at a

Special Evening Prayer Service at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen on Sunday, October 16, 2022 at 3:30 PM.

Registration is required. Please register online at: https://www.diometuchen.org/silver-and-gold-anniversary-celebration. If you are unable to access, please contact the Family Life Office at 732-562-1543 or amarshall@diometuchen.org.

Registration will close on October 7, 2022. Although no fee is required, in the past many Jubilarian couples have given a donation of gratitude to the Church in memory of this special occasion. Donations of Gratitude may be made online at

https://www.diometuchen.org/donation-silver-and-gold or calling 732-562-1543.



St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Church, 1900 Brooks Boulevard, Hillsborough Friday, October 7, 2022 Only 250 Tickets Will Be Sold

Gift certificates and many prizes including flat screen TV, computer, Kindle, appliances, theme baskets, designer purses, and 50/50 will be available.

Doors open at 5:00PM. Auction begins at 7:00PM Tickets are \$20 which includes one sheet of tickets Door prize ticket, delicious desserts, coffee, tea and a goodie bag. Stuffed cabbage, kielbasi and sauerkraut, pierogi, eggplant, meatball sandwiches, hotdogs, hamburgers, soda and water can be purchased, so come early. Tickets can be purchased by contacting the rectory at 908-725-0615 or Marge at 908-722-5894. Bring your friends and be ready for an evening of fun, good food and winning some great prizes! No alcohol or outside food is permitted. Must be 18 to attend.

RISE-INTERFAITH ORGANIZATION

We received this letter from RISE, an Interfaith Organization in Highland Park, which provides services to refugees and immigrants. Perhaps you might be able to help. Contact: INTERFAITH-RISE.org

Dear Interfaith-RISE,

I went to the warehouse yesterday, to try to find one new pot for a recently arrived asylum seeking family from Peru. For the first time in months, I found the kitchen wares section of the Interfaith-RISE Warehouse nearly bare.

It is possible that we have depleted the total amount of 'extra' stuff that people have in their basements and attics, as we've set up well over 100 homes in full since last October and assisted with home set-up and furniture/housewares contributions for easily another 100 homes.

We will soon have to start purchasing lots of pots and pans, sheets, blankets etc... if we don't have an influx of donations soon!

I would ask our volunteers, statewide, to please request from your churches, mosques, synagogues, temples, community groups that we are in real need of household goods and bedding, as well as furniture. We are NOT in need of clothing. Please see sign up genius below for more details of Items needed.

All donations can be dropped off at 127 Raritan Ave, Highland Pk, NJ on weekdays 10-3pm If you happen to find it closed, please bring them to the Reformed Church of Highland pk. Please label for Interfaith Rise. Thanks and peace! Seth.

RIDES NEEDED

We really need help with rides. If you are available and can help please sign up. We have struggled this summer to get volunteers to sign up. It has been very hard. Thank You to all the dedicated volunteers that have helped multiple times in one day or in a given week. These volunteer opportunities are ongoing. Links will remain the same and slots will be updated consistently. Please check back and sign up for open slots as your availability changes or allows. Interfaith-RISE: Rides Needed (signupgenius.com)

DONATION MANAGEMENT & PREPARATION

We have been setting up multiple houses the past couple of weeks and need help with set up or organizing and packing up boxes for the families. If you are available Mon- Friday anytime 10-3pm Please sign up. In addition, we need extra volunteers to help organize and sort a recent delivery of over 80 boxes of donations! The boxes include a variety of goods including clothes, non-perishables, first-aid supplies, etc. We need help organizing these donations so that they can be distributed to those in need. Please see the sign up below, time slots are flexible!

Donations Volunteer Sign-Up: Interfaith-RISE: Donation Management and Preparation Volunteers Needed! (signupgenius.com)

These volunteer opportunities are ongoing. Links will remain the same and slots will be updated consistently. Please check back and sign up for open slots as your availability changes or allows.

FURNITURE

We are still in need of a lot of furniture. We especially need small couches, twin and full beds and mattresses. Dining Tables. Dressers.

If you are interested in donating, please send an email to <u>furniture@interfaithrise.org</u> with a description and photos and contact info. While we are very grateful for all offers, all offers cannot be accepted because the apartments are small and space is limited. We will get back to you as soon as possible.

HOUSEWARES

If you are interested in donating general houseware, please send an email to housewares@interfaithrise.org with a description and photos of the items.

PLEASE DO NOT BRING OR LEAVE ANY ITEMS AT ST JOSEPH CHURCH OR PARISH CENTER THANK YOU.

Sunday, Sep 18, 2022

Tell the greatest stories ever

On this Catechetical Sunday, we lift up those who give instruction as religion teachers, homilists, RCIA directors, spiritual writers, and retreat leaders. Catechism doesn't have to be dull. Fantasy writer George McDonald made spiritual realities come alive. His stories inspired C.S. Lewis, J.R.R. Tolkien, Mark Twain, and J.M. Barrie to do the same. Want better leadership in government, businesses, parishes? Look for good storytellers. As Pope Francis said in his 2020 address to communicators, "Each of us knows different stories that have the fragrance of the Gospel, that have borne witness to the Love that transforms life. These stories cry out to be shared!"

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

TODAY'S READINGS: Amos 8:4-7; 1 Timothy 2:1-8; Luke 16:1-13 (135). *"I ask that supplications, prayers, petitions, and thanksgivings be offered . . . for kings and for all in authority."*

Monday, Sep 19, 2022

See the miracles in everyday life

Little is known about the life of Januarius, a bishop and martyr who died in the year 305, but he's famous for a miracle that continues to happen all these centuries later. Three times a year in the cathedral in Naples, Italy, the faithful gather to witness a sample of his blood, kept in sealed glass, liquify and even bubble. There is no definitive explanation, and the blood cannot be studied since the vial is not allowed to be opened out of fear of permanent damage. Sound incredible? Some say yes. But does it even compare to the extraordinary tenets of your faith? Now that's something much more consequential to marvel—every day of the year.

MEMORIAL OF JANUARIUS, BISHOP, MARTYR

TODAY'S READINGS: Proverbs 3:27-34; Luke 8:16-18 (449). "For there is nothing hidden that will not become visible, and nothing secret that will not be known and come to light."

Tuesday, Sep 20, 2022

Companions on the journey

South Korea has one of the largest Catholic populations in all of Asia. Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn—the first Korean priest—played a role. As did Paul Chŏng Ha-sang, a lay Catholic born of a martyr who was martyred himself. In fact, the birth of the Korean church is a laypeople's triumph. Pope John Paul II stressed this fact during his 1984 canonization of Tae-gŏn, Ha-sang, and 101 other martyrs: "Even though the Christians in the first half century had only two priests from China to assist them for a time, they deepened their unity in Christ through prayer and fraternal love.... The splendid flowering of the Church in Korea today is indeed the fruit of the heroic witness of the Martyrs." We, too, are called to be

companions to the martyrs in building up the Body of Christ. MEMORIAL OF ANDREW KIM TAE-GŎN, PRIEST, AND PAUL CHŎNG HA-SANG, AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS TODAY'S READINGS: Proverbs 21:1-6, 10-13; Luke 8:19-21 (450). "My

mother and my brothers are those who hear the word of God and act on it."

Wednesday, Sep 21, 2022

Even tax collectors need a patron

Though we don't know much about the apostle Matthew—even whether he was the actual author of the gospel that bears his name—we do know that he was a tax collector. And because of this, he was *persona non grata* in the Jewish community. It was the occupying Romans who demanded those taxes, so Matthew and his fellow taxmen were seen as collaborators. From the very beginning of his ministry, Jesus laid out the invitation to break out of righteous categories and see beyond narrow prejudices. A reminder for us to do the same.

FEAST OF MATTHEW, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST TODAY'S READINGS: Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13; Matthew 9:9-13 (643). *"I* did not come to call the righteous but sinners."

Thursday, Sep 22, 2022

Celebrate Earth, our common home

Many Catholics are still getting used to the Season of Creation, which spans the period from September 1 (World Day of Prayer for the Care for Creation) to October 4 (Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi). Initiated in 1989 and embraced by Catholics in 2015, this ecumenical season is meant to celebrate care for our common home. Leaders encourage the faithful to pray and take action to honor and preserve our planet. With more than a week left of the season, there's time to celebrate in your own style: be it a prayerful outdoor time, an environmental letter to a legislator, or a look at the ecology encyclical, *Laudato Si'*. Seasonofcreation.org offers even more ideas.

TODAY'S READINGS: Ecclesiastes 1:2-11; Luke 9:7-9 (452). "But Herod said, 'John I beheaded. Who then is this about whom I hear such things?' "

Friday, Sep 23, 2022

Scripture makes Billboard's Top 10

We don't often see Bible songs hit the pop music charts. But a song by singer-songwriter and social activist Pete Seeger did just that. Written in the late 1950s, the song "Turn! Turn! Turn!" would explode to international popularity in 1965 when recorded by the Byrds. Not bad for lyrics written well over 2,000 years ago! The song is based on the book of Ecclesiastes 3:1-8. Not every popular use of the Bible turns out well, but Seeger's did, perhaps because he left the verses largely intact. Consider other scripture passages that are music to your ears.

TODAY'S READINGS: Ecclesiastes 3:1-11; Luke 9:18-22 (453). "There is an appointed time for everything, and a time for every thing under the heavens."

Saturday, Sep 24, 2022

The clock is ticking

The Spanish philosopher Miguel de Unamuno is quoted as having said the entire gospel came down to this phrase: "Wake up!" That's something we can all keep in mind and take to heart when we find ourselves simply going through the motions, sleepwalking through the day. The Benedictines put it another way: "Keep death ever before you." Now that's a wake-up call if there ever was one! Do something good, kind, generous—and do it today, while there is still time!

TODAY'S READINGS: Ecclesiastes 11:9—12:8; Luke 9:43b-45 (454). "Pay attention to what I am telling you."

Take Five for Faith

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

©2022 TrueQuest Communications. TakeFiveForFaith.com; mail@takefiveforfaith.com. All rights reserved. Noncommercial reprints permitted with the following credit: Reprinted with permission from TakeFiveForFaith.com. Scripture citations from the New American Bible Revised Edition. For more information about TAKE FIVE and our regular contributors, go to PrepareTheWord.com. Free daily email and app available online at TakeFiveForFaith.com/subscribe.



