

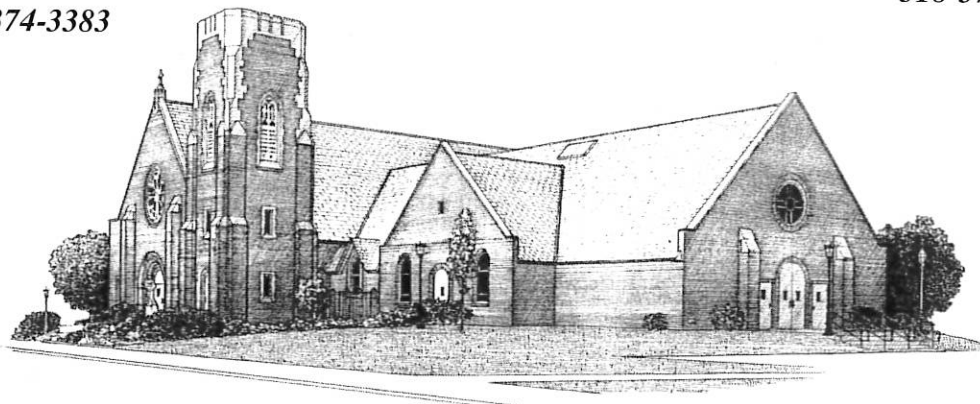
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Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9:00 AM — 3:00 PM (Closed on Friday)

HOLY EUCHARIST

Saturday Evening — 4:00 PM

Sunday Morning — 9:00 AM

Holy Days: as scheduled

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

*The Sacrament of Reconciliation
is available prior to any
Saturday evening liturgy.*

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

*A registered parishioner who wishes
to celebrate his or her marriage at St. Joseph's
is asked to contact the Parish Office
at least six months prior to the anticipated date
(and before any other arrangements
are made) in order to begin
sacramental preparation.*

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

*If you or someone in your family
is going to the hospital for surgery,
please request the Sacrament of Anointing
by calling the Parish Office.
Due to federal regulations, the parish is
unable to access inpatient information
from hospitals and nursing homes
without your consent.*

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

*For registered members of the parish,
baptism may be arranged during
a weekend liturgy.
Parents should contact the office to attend class
in preparation for the sacrament of Baptism.*

NEW PARISHIONERS

*Catholics moving into the area
are invited to register in the
parish by calling the parish office.*

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF
SEPTEMBER 26TH THROUGH OCTOBER 4TH, 2020**

| | | |
|------|---------|---|
| 9-26 | 4:00 PM | Bradley C. Fay – The Staff of St. Joseph's Charles DeLella – Lucia Bianchi |
| 9-27 | 9:00 AM | Charles McCarthy – The Family Joseph Donovan – Catherine Torre |
| 9-28 | | No Mass |
| 9-29 | | No Mass |
| 9-30 | | No Mass |
| 10-1 | | No Mass |
| 10-2 | | No Mass |
| 10-3 | 4:00 PM | Tom Gatta – The Family |
| 10-4 | 9:00 AM | Jim McCullough – The Family |

| Scripture Readings for the Week | | |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|---------------|
| Mon. 9/28 | Jb 1:6-22 | Lk 9:46-50 |
| Tues. 9/29 | Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 | Jn 1:47-51 |
| Wed. 9/30 | Jb 9:1-12, 14-16 | Lk 9:57-62 |
| Thurs. 10/1 | Jb 19:21-27 | Lk 10:1-12 |
| Fri. 10/2 | Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5 | Mt 18:1-5, 10 |
| Sat. 10/3 | Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17 | Lk 10:17-24 |
| Sun. 10/4 | Is 5:1-7, Phil 4:6-9 | Mt 21:33-43 |

We remind all parishioners that the dispensation from obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days **remains in force** until further notice. Those who are at risk or do not feel comfortable attending at this time, are encouraged to remain at home and participate via our live stream mass on YouTube. Please, if you are experiencing **ANY** cold or flu-like symptoms, **DO NOT COME TO MASS**. This is for everyone's safety.

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| LITURGICAL MINISTERS – OCT. 3rd & 4th, 2020 | | |
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| | 4:00 PM | 9:00 AM |
| LECTOR | TBD | TBD |
| BREAD 1 | Celebrant | Celebrant |
| BREAD 4 | TBD | A. Seaver |
| USHER | P. Shave | A. Mitchell |
| USHER | TBD | R. Schiavone |
| USHER | TBD | C. Reynolds |
| USHER | TBD | D. Stec |
| GREETER (INSIDE) | TBD | P. Johnson |
| GREETER (INSIDE) | TBD | T. Caldwell |
| GREETER (OUTSIDE) | TBD | TBD |
| CLEANER | M. Militano | T. Caldwell |
| CLEANER | TBD | S. Caldwell |
| CLEANER | TBD | TBD |

We have **12 volunteer positions** (including lector and one Eucharistic minister) that need to be filled for each mass. Sign-up sheets are available in Holy Family Hall for each week. We have many empty slots for the weeks ahead. Thank you to those who continue to volunteer each week so that we may remain open ~ we could not continue to hold mass without you.

Our income for the period **Sept. 7th-13th** amounted to **\$3,189.00** and expenses for the same period were **\$4,960.33**.



Please be sure to drop your donation(s) in the donation box on the way into mass. Your donations are greatly appreciated and greatly needed in order to keep parish operations running. Many thanks to those who have continued to contribute during these difficult times.

Any donation for a special Second Collection must be in a **separate envelope**, clearly marked for the designated purpose.

PARISH SECOND COLLECTION FOR OCT. 3rd/4th: Monthly Debt Reduction.

Through your generosity, we were able to send \$268.00 to the Diocese for **Lebanon Relief**. Thank you!

Remember in your prayers those members of our parish who are sick or suffering in any way, as well as those in hospitals and nursing homes and all of our shut-ins. We also pray for family, friends and those who have died recently, especially **Florence Petroski**. We also pray for men and women in our armed forces who are serving our country.





Please welcome **Theodore James Buhrmaster**, son of Kevin & Alissa, who will be receiving the Sacrament of Baptism this weekend.



Grace Fay & Patty Neumann are continuing their Daughters of God Retreat with their next retreat **“Jesus: His Call, Ministry and Mission”** scheduled for **Thursday, October 1st from 7-9 PM**. This retreat will take place on Zoom. Pre-registration is required and is open to all women 9th grade through adult. Please contact Grace at olgsjym@gmail.com for more information or to register.



We live stream our **9 am mass** on Sunday mornings. The link to connect with our live stream is:

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLDgBXL8RT55biUcsAofgB4w9XGcHR8DA>



As of September 17th, we have **\$20,672** in pledges & gifts from **69** parishioners given to this year's **Diocesan Appeal** (formerly the Bishop's Appeal). St. Joseph's Assessment Goal is **\$60,910** (which is a decrease of \$3,206 from last year). The Appeal will run through June 30, 2021. Please check out the link set up on our website which will send you directly to the Diocesan Stewardship Office. Thank you for your patience as they work out their new system on this important Appeal.



Due to the devastation that we have seen so far from Hurricane Laura and the wildfires in California, Bishop Scharfenberger has requested that parishes give parishioners the opportunity to participate in a voluntary special collection for the humanitarian, long-term recovery arising from these natural disasters. The U.S. Catholic Conference of Bishops has an Emergency Disaster Fund that supports the efforts of **Catholic Charities USA** as well as **Catholic Relief Services** (these are the official relief services of the Catholic Church). Funds will be used in response to Hurricane Laura & any other disasters that occur and will be distributed where they are most needed. As with any “second collection”, please place your donation (checks payable to St. Joseph's Church) in a separate envelope marked **“Disaster Relief”** and we will send one parish check by the end of October. As always, **thank you** for your generosity.

Faith Formation/Youth Ministry News & Updates

Volunteers (catechists, aids & gatekeepers) are still needed for both the Faith Formation & Youth Ministry programs.

For **Grades 1-5**, please contact **Roberta Quinn** at quinnr@nycap.rr.com

For **Grades 6-11**, please contact **Grace Fay** at olgsjym@gmail.com

Faith Formation classes (Gr. 1-5) have been delayed and will now begin on **Monday, October 19th**. Please watch your email/mail for important details regarding classes. If you have a child who has entered First Grade this year and you have not participated in the program prior to this year, please contact Roberta Quinn for details on enrolling your child in Faith Formation classes.

Youth Ministry class schedules have been emailed to families and are available on the parish website. Please contact Grace for any questions relating to these schedules.



St. Joseph's Church will once again be participating in Boscov's **“Friends Helping Friends”** fundraising event and we are excited about the changes in this year's event. This year the event will be held on **TWO** days ~ **October 14th & 15th** and **NO** shopping pass will be needed! You will simply mention St. Joseph's Church in-store at the register or online at checkout. In doing so, you will save 20% off most prices (some exclusions apply) **AND** St. Joseph's will receive 5% of your total purchase! Questions? Please contact Deb Griffith at the office.



40 Days for Life Campaign ~ Wednesday, September 23rd to Sunday, November 1st. This is a community effort for a period of 40 days of prayer, fasting, community outreach and peaceful prayer vigil at the Planned Parenthood right of way, 1040 State Street in Schenectady from 7 AM – 7 PM. In the spirit of Christ, we peacefully and lovingly pray, educate and witness to the community in order to bring an end to abortion & provide hope and help for women in crisis pregnancies. For information on how to sign up, please contact Sarah at sch40days@gmail.com or Viviane at 518-384-0699 or www.40daysforlife.com/schenectady.

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