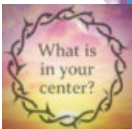


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2025**

*ST. JOSEPH'S AND  
ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCHES*  
*5TH SUNDAY OF LENT*

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**MASS SCHEDULE**

**Daily Mass**

Monday | 8:30 am St. Joseph's  
Tuesday | 8:30 St Francis  
Wednesday | No Mass today  
Thursday | 8:30 am St Francis  
Friday | 8:30 am St Joseph's

**Weekend Mass**

Saturday | 4 pm St Joseph's  
6 pm St Francis (summer only)  
Sunday | 8:30 am St Francis  
10:30 am St Joseph's

**Confession**

Saturday | 3:15 pm St Joseph's  
Sunday | 8 am St Francis

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We, the Roman Catholic community of St. Francis of Assisi and St. Joseph's are called to live the Gospel message of Jesus through Hospitality, Worship, Faith Formation and Service to others.

**Trustees**

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**SF**

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## ST. JOSEPH'S MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday (5) 4 pm

Dan & Don Frasier + Ann Frasier  
Mary Lou Lockyer + Roberta Dombrowski  
Stephanie Pischel + Bernie Brooks

### Sun (6) 10:30 am

John F. Rosenzweig + St. Joseph's Office Staff  
Theresa Ritz + Ritz family  
MaryLou Lockyer + Christine Lockyer

### Mon (7) 8:30 am

Rev. James Walsh, Msgr. James Gazeley

### Friday (11) 8:30 am

In memory of Louis Piazza's birthday + Frank & Peggy Piazza

### Saturday (12) 4 pm

Floyd Elwood Bronner + St. Joseph's Altar Rosary Society  
MaryLou Lockyer + Barb Jones  
Healing of Dorothy Trame + Roberta Dombrowski

### Sun (13) 10:30 am

Concetta & Thomas Zeppieri + Tony & Teresa Russell  
John Rosenzweig + St. Joseph's Altar Rosary Society  
In thanksgiving for organ donors & their families  
+ Lois Munnelly

The red Sanctuary Candle burns all week to remind people of the Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. You can memorialize our candle at either parish for a week for a deceased loved one, a living person or a special intention. The Intention and Donor's names will be published in our weekly bulletin. The suggested donation for the 7-day candle is \$20.

All submissions must be made at least 2 weeks prior to the week you are requesting to accommodate bulletin printing deadlines. Please call the office for scheduling requests.

## ST. FRANCIS MASS INTENTIONS

### Sun (6) 8:30 am

Elwood Bronner + Ginger Driscoll  
Anna Saksen + Rick Koval

### Tues (8) 8:30 am

In memory of Fr. Francis Gunn's birthday

### Thursday (10) 8:30 am

In memory of Deacon Joe Pagano's birthday

### Sun (13) 8:30 am

Debbie Cary + Bob & Nancy Jones  
Lucille Javino Lambreau & deceased Howell family  
members + Margaret Howell

**INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY** ~ This jubilee year reminds us that we are pilgrims of hope. Our lives are a pilgrimage and the season of Lent is a concentration of that journey. This time of penitence, of sacrifice, and of suffering is our pilgrimage to the cross, the scene and sign of Jesus' greatest sacrifice. But our faith tells us that neither the cross nor death is the end. Therefore, we can be pilgrims of hope, confident that our journeys through Lent and through life will not end in death, but in new life. May our hope for salvation encourage us as we approach the holiest week of the year.

**WORD OF LIFE** ~ "Virgin of Guadalupe, Patroness of unborn children, we implore your intercession for every child at risk of abortion. Guide our public officials to defend each and every human life through just laws. Inspire us all to bring our faith into public life, to speak for those who have no voice. We ask this in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, who is Love and Mercy itself. Amen." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "A Prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe"

## (PRACTICING) CATHOLIC - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

**Mini Reflection:** Too often, we don't care about righteousness or truth. We just care about being right. We have a terrible tendency to see only decisions, and in doing so we dehumanize the people behind them. But when God looks at us, he sees more than the worst decisions we've ever made.

**The Allure of Being Right** ~ It wasn't a real question.

"The law of Moses says we should stone her. What do you say?" the Pharisees asked Jesus as they brought the adulterous woman before him. But they weren't *really* asking. They didn't care what Jesus' answer was. They didn't ask his opinion because they wanted to know. They asked because they wanted to use his words against him.

Righteousness, truth - that wasn't the goal. The goal was being right.

And in the middle of the whole scene, dragged before Jesus, used as a literal prop in this staged drama, is a woman. A real flesh-&-blood woman.

I find myself wanting to know more about her. She had been "caught in the act," they claimed, but I wonder what that even means. With whom was this act committed, and what were the reasons for her participation in it? Was she coerced? Was she scared? Was she confused? Was it really a cut-and-dry, black-and-white situation of adultery, of lust, of making the wrong decision?

We will never know the answers to these questions, and it doesn't matter - it's not our business. God knows the answers. God knows the truth of the matter: what she did, what she chose, what she felt. Because she wasn't a prop to Him. She was a person.

When God looks at us, he sees more than the worst decisions we've ever made.

I worry that we use one another as props even today, when we try like the Pharisees to illustrate "What is Right." We have a terrible tendency to see only decisions, and in doing so we dehumanize the people behind them.

Too often, we don't care about righteousness or truth. We just care about being right.

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**LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK** ~ "Go, and sin no more," Jesus tells the woman caught in adultery. Her life, like ours, has been saved. She, like us, has a chance for a new beginning. So he begs her, and he begs us: be changed by it. Let the mercy transform you. Go, and sin no more.

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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 6, 2025** ~ Sunday: Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 (3)/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11: *Scrutiny*: Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7)/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45; Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Jn 8:12-20; Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/Jn 8:21-30; Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Jn 8:31-42; Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59; Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/Jn 10:31-42; Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-56; Next Sunday: Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14-23:56 or 23:1-49

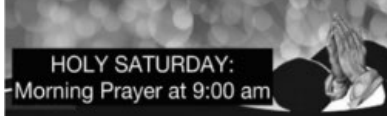
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## UPCOMING EVENTS

Each Monday & Friday after SJ 8:30 am Mass - Pray the Rosary  
1st Sundays of the Month - SF - 8 am pray the Rosary  
1st Mondays - SF 7:30 pm Knights of Columbus meeting  
1st Tuesdays - SF (Apr-Dec) 6:30 pm Rosary Society Meeting  
Each Wednesday - SF 2 pm Prayer Group in John Paul II Hall  
2nd Wednesdays - SJ 6 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting  
April 13 ~ Palm Sunday  
April 17 ~ SF 5pm Potluck 6:30pm Thursday of the Lord's Supper Mass  
April 18 ~ SF Good Friday service 6 pm  
April 19 ~ SF Easter Vigil Mass 8 pm  
April 20 ~ Easter Sunday (SF @ 8:30am SJ @ 10:30am)

## ST. JOSEPH'S ANNUAL SUMMER FESTIVAL

**Save the dates! July 17, 18 & 19, 2025**

**Volunteer today - forms are in the vestibule.**

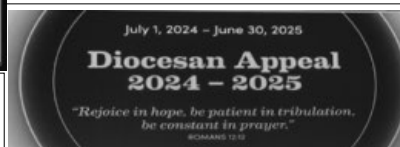
**Calling all raffle basket creators** ~ We are accepting baskets for the Annual Summer Festival's Basket Raffle in the office.

Hurting from abortion? Experience the healing love of Jesus Christ on a Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat, May 30-June 1, 2025 at the Dominican Retreat & Conference Center in Niskayuna. The weekend combines discussions, spiritual exercises, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, a Memorial Service & a Mass of Entrustment. Participation is strictly confidential & offers a beautiful opportunity to experience God's love, forgiveness & compassion. The cost is \$195 ~ financial assistance is available. For info contact Pat 518-222-1160 or [rachelsvineyardalbany@yahoo.com](mailto:rachelsvineyardalbany@yahoo.com)

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Matthew 6:21

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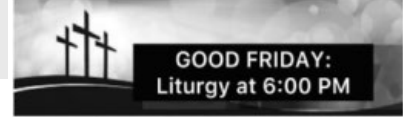
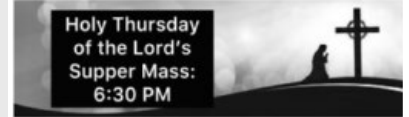
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	3/16/25	SJ 4 / 10:30	SF 8:30	3/23/30	
Attendance		61 / 91	85	72 / 130	89
Contribution		\$725 / \$1,840	\$1,142	\$805 / \$814	\$1,103
Feb e-giving		\$861.40	\$922.90		
Poor & Votive		n/a	\$53	n/a	\$33
Feast of St. Joseph				\$263	

# St. Francis's



**In Memory of Arianna M. Lanzi**

For the Benefit of  
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Church  
**TAKE OUT PASTA DINNER**  
Sunday, April 13, 2025  
Sport Island Pub  
Noon - 4pm  
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If you would like to bring bread &/or meatless soup to St. Francis' Lenten Sacrificial meal, following Stations of the Cross & Adoration on 4/11, please sign the sign-up sheet in the vestibule or contact Carol Lott.

**SF Diocesan Appeal \$21,842**

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