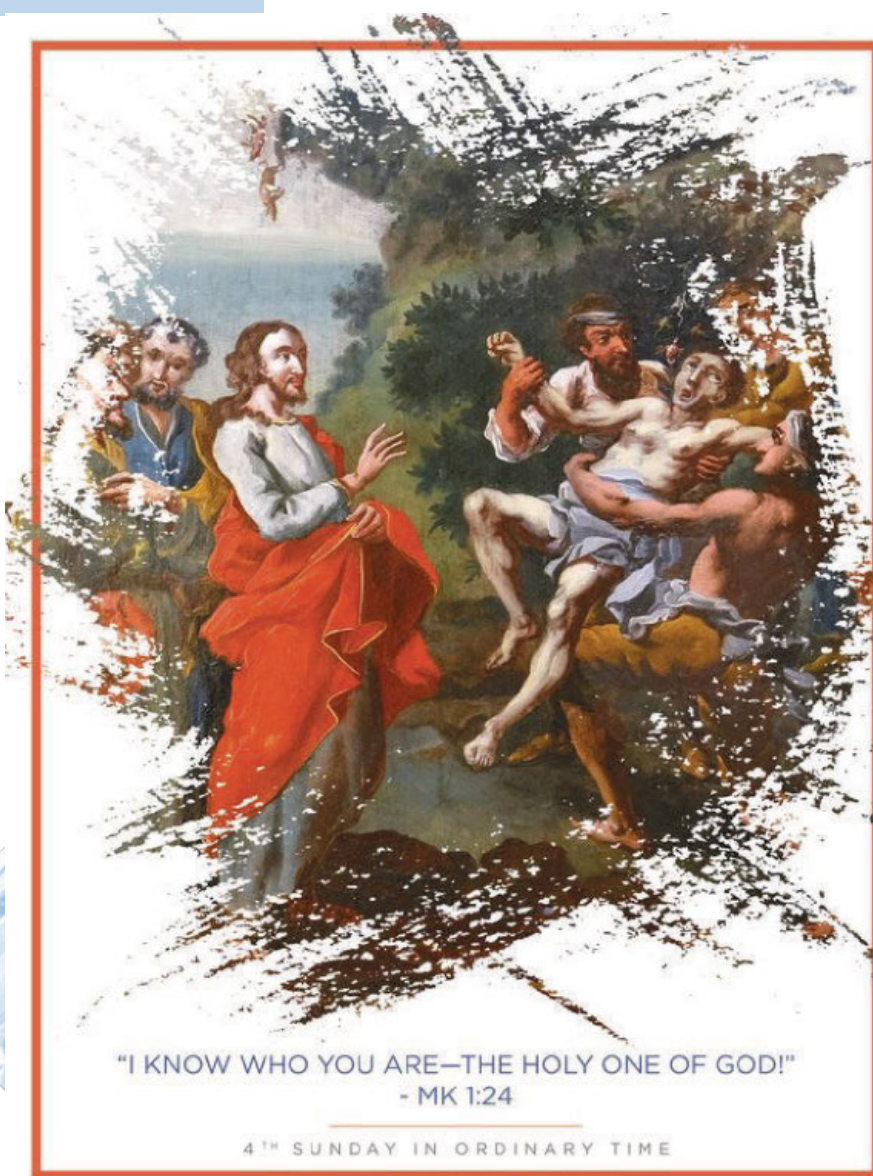


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# ST. JOSEPH'S AND ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCHES

## 4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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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 (5/25 & 6/29 - 8/30/24)  
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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### Our Mission

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

**St. Joseph's Mass Intentions**

**Sat (27) 4 pm**

Francis Motyl, Jr.  
Dorothy Kwiatkowski

+ The family  
+ Angela Fusco

**Sun (28) 10:30 am**

Elizabeth Gibbons

+ Marilyn Gibbons

**Mon (29) 8:30 am**

No Mass today

**Fri (2) 8:30 am**

No Mass today

**Saturday (3) 4 pm**

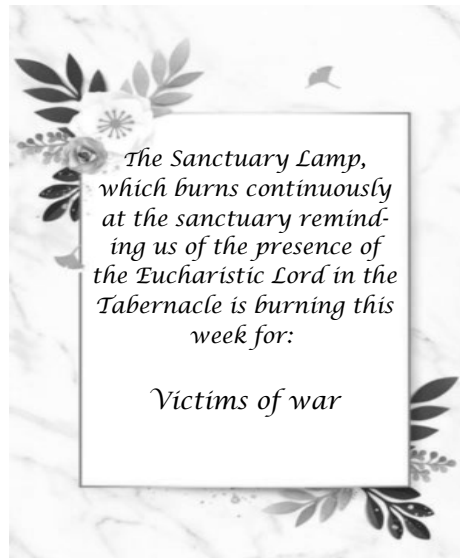
Elizabeth Snocker DiCocco  
Gerard C. Benjamin

+ Mary Ellen Downs  
+ Angela Fusco

**Sun (4) 10:30 am**

Bill & Dot Milnyczuk

+ Gary & Pat Herba



**St. Francis Mass Intentions**

**Sun (28) 8:30 am**

Kimberly Snyder  
George St. Peter  
Kathryn Curren

+ M/M Gerald Fitzgerald  
+ David & Yolanda Gifford  
+ Doris Kerrigan

**Tuesday (30) 8:30 am**

No Mass today

**Thursday (1) 8:30 am**

No Mass today

**Sun (4) 8:30 am**

Kimberly Snyder  
Bill Moeller

+ Capobianco family  
+ Terry Moeller

**INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY** ~ Can you believe it's been over a month since we celebrated Christmas? By now, our decorations are likely back in their boxes and the warm glow of the holidays has faded, but let us not forget that our greatest Christmas gift ever—the Son of God—remains with us always. Even on an ordinary day in the middle of winter, he is with us here as we gather to celebrate the meal he left us before he died. Let us give thanks as we receive him once again in the Eucharist.

**WORD OF LIFE** ~ Many people are unaware that someone they know personally is silently suffering from participation in abortion. If a friend confided in you tomorrow that she had an abortion, would you be able to respond in a way that brings her closer to healing? Learn how in "How to Talk to a Friend Who's Had an Abortion": <http://bit.ly/friend-had-abortion>  
USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

**GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE** ~ I love movies about exorcisms. Apparently, so do many others. The 2023 movie "Nefarious" features a possibly possessed inmate on death row. Critics were not impressed, but audiences scored it at 97% on the website Rotten Tomatoes. Most people have an appreciation for the demonic realm, even if cultural elites are generally embarrassed about it. As is standard in exorcism movies, the afflicted person (in this case, a man named Edward Brady) thinks and acts like *multiple* persons. He is someone besides himself. We know what that is like. We feel *fake* sometimes, not ourselves.

The same dynamic is on dramatic display this week in the Gospel. Jesus the Exorcist approaches a possessed man who utters, "**What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth?**" Notice the plural, *us*. The basic effect of the demonic is division. The man's identity is fractured, divided, and thus many. Jesus powerfully expels the spirit by saying, "**Quiet! Come out of him!**" Jesus' word has the power to restore the man's singularity — *him* — and indeed it does.

All this helps us to dismiss childish images of demons sporting red goat tails. Equally, it overcomes the cultured aloofness that dreams demons are mere metaphors for evil. We see instead that fallen angels are conscious and intelligent beings who orient their agency toward division. They bring about schism where there should be unity, e.g., in persons, families, communities, politics, and so on. Thankfully, Jesus commands demons to flee from all these places to restore wholeness and peace. What if we made room for his word where we need it? ~ *Father John Muir* ©LPi

**LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK** ~ With one swift command, Jesus freed a man from the possession of evil spirits. He has that same power to banish the shadow of sin from our own lives. Let's invite him into our hearts, asking him to cleanse the darkness he finds there. ©LPi

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 28, 2024** ~ Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 (8)/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28; Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 5:1-20; Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30 - 19:3/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mk 5:21-43; Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7/Mk 6:1-6; Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd/Mk 6:7-13; Friday: Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32; Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14/Mk 6:30-34; Next Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 (see 3a)/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39

SJ Lector		SF Lector	
2/3/24	D Walendziak		
2/4/24	M Doyle	2/4/24	A Frank

# St. Joseph's



If you would like a letter for **tax purposes**, please contact the office. Please supply your name & mailing address when you make the request. You can also pop a note in the collection making your request. Put the request to Lisa's attention. All requested receipts will be mailed by January 31st.

## Upcoming Events

Each Monday & Friday after SJ 8:30 am Mass - Pray the Rosary  
 1st Sundays of the Month - SF - 8am, 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  
 February 11 - SJ 10:30 Mass as a class grades 1-5  
 February 14 - **Ash Wednesday**  
 February 19 - office closed in observance of President's Day  
 March 10 - SJ - 10:30 Mass as a class grades 1-5  
 March 28 - **Holy Thursday** - SJ - Potluck @ 5pm, Mass @ 7pm  
 March 29 - **Good Friday** - SJ - 7 pm  
 March 30 - **Holy Saturday** - SJ - 8PM  
 March 31 - **Easter Sunday** - SF 8:30 am SJ 10:30 am  
 April 21 - SJ Mass as a class grades 1-5

# St. Francis'

## ~St. Francis' Library~

Rest & refresh with a book on prayer and spirituality. Find a book on a favorite Saint and learn more about them. Our shelves are full of books on different topics. Check out the shelves in the vestibule and on the cart in the John Paul II Hall.



### Ash Wednesday is February 14th

That's 17 days or 2 1/2 weeks from now. Please bring last year's blessed palms to church & put them in the basket in the vestibule. Fr. Jun will burn the palm & use the ashes for Ash Wednesday.

Fr. Jun is away for the month of January. Please pray for a safe trip for him & his family.

Daily Masses resume on 2/5/24 at St. Joseph's & 2/6/24 at St. Francis'.

Our Lenten Sacrificial meals begin on February 16th. We need people &/or ministries to volunteer to set up, bring soup & bread, and clean up on these dates:

<b>Feb 16</b>	<b>Feb 23</b>	<b>March 1</b>
<b>March 8</b>	<b>March 15</b>	<b>March 22</b>

Please contact the office with the date your ministry is willing to sponsor our Sacrificial Meals.

**SJ meals @ 13:30**

**SF meals @ 6:30**



**Healing Weekend** Beginning Experience of the Hudson Valley is inviting men and women of all ages who grieve the end of a marriage or spousal relationship due to death, divorce, or separation to an in-person weekend retreat at St. Lawrence Retreat Center in Beacon NY Upcoming dates: April 19 to 21, 2024 and October 18 to 20, 2024.

For information or to register please call *Phyllis* at 914 261 5812 or *Jim* at 845 220 7883.

### St. Joseph's Closet Thrift store hours:

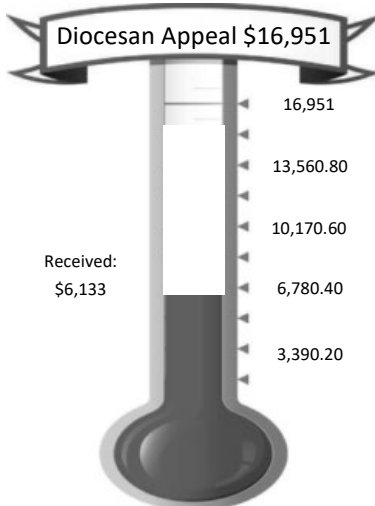
Tues: 4-7 pm Wed: 10am - 1 pm  
 Saturday: 9 am - noon  
 Thank you for your support and for your patronage.

Grades 1-5: **1/28/24** Class  
**2/4/24** Class  
**2/11/24** Class



Grades 6-10  
**1/29/24** Grades 6-10 Class 6:45 - 7:45  
**2/5/24** Grades 6-10 Class 6:45 - 7:45  
**2/12/24** Grades 6-10 Class 6:45 - 7:45

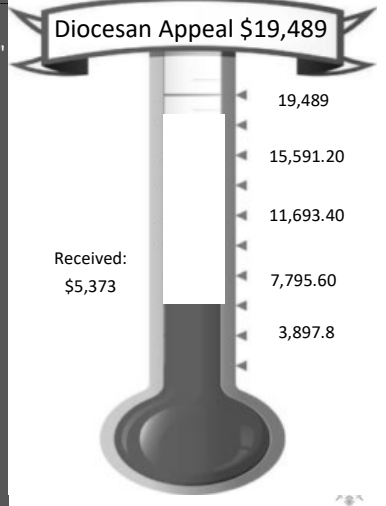
**St. Francis' prayer group** meets each Wednesday at 2pm in St. Francis' John Paul II Hall. All are always welcome. We are happy to lift your intention in prayer. Feel free to join us.



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 "Remember where your treasure is, your heart is also."  
 Matthew 6:21

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1/14 /24	SJ 4 / 10:30	SF 8:30
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