

# ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER CATHOLIC CHURCH



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**St Joseph the Worker**, as a happy faith community, welcomes you and your family with joyful hearts to our church. If you are not registered and want to belong to this happy family of worshippers, please see an ushers or Fr. Julius. Or call the office at (423) 442-7273.

## Pastoral Staff

Pastor	Rev. Dr. Julius Abuh
Father's Email	pastor@sjtwrcc.org
Parish Secretary/Bookkeeper	Darla Carlock
Office Assistant	Jean Schneider
Coordinators of Hispanic Ministry	Jose Aguilera Zavala Diana Martinez
DRE	Jan Dye
R.C.I.A.	Mike Huffor
Coordinator of Youth Ministry (CYM)	
Director of Music	Jodi Swiderek
Knights of Columbus	Ed Harless
Women's Group	Barb Callan

## MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil Mass	4 pm
Sunday (English)	8 am and 10 am
Sunday (Spanish)	12:00 pm
Daily Mass (Tue -Fri) and 1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday	9 am

## Holy Days of Obligation

Mass at 9 am and 7 pm (Bilingual)

## OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday 9:30 am – 1 pm  
Bulletin items due Tuesday before 12:30 pm

## Sacrament of Baptism

Baptismal preparation is required for parents who desire their baby / child to be baptized. Parents must be registered with the church. Forms and information are available in the office.

## Sacrament of Penance due to covid pls call

Saturday 3pm Sunday 9:15 – 9:45 am or upon request  
Domingo 12:00 pm Spanish

## Sacrament of the Sick

If one is seriously ill or having surgery, please call the parish office or the rectory for Anointing of the Sick. A Priest or extraordinary minister of Holy Communion will administer Holy Communion on a weekly basis to shut ins.

## Sacrament of Marriage

Couples should contact the Pastor a minimum of six (6) months in advance. Dates may not be set prior to the second meeting with the priest. The Diocese requires that couples attend an Engaged Encounter or Picture of Love Weekend.

## A Week Ahead in our Parish

**Mon Nov 8- no church**

**Tues Nov 9 - 9 am Mass** Dr. Herman Miller  
By: FFL

**Wed Nov 10 - 9 am Mass** Dr. Herman Miller  
By: FFL

**9:30am Rosary**

**Thu Nov 11 - 9 am Mass** Dr. Herman Miller  
By: FFL

**7 pm Rosary (MH)**

**Fri Nov 12 - 9 am Mass** Dr. Herman Miller  
By: FFL

**9:30 am – 12 pm Adoration**

**Sat Nov 13 – 4 pm** *People of the Parish*

**Sunday Nov 14 - 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**8 am Mass** † Eleanor Dougherty  
By: Brown Family

**10 am Mass** Fr Julius Abuh  
By: Parishioners of SJTW

**12:30 pm Mass (Spanish)**

If you wish to have a Mass said for a special occasion or in memory of a loved one, complete a Mass Intentions information form or contact the office. Thank you.

Saturday/Sunday		November 13/14	
	4pm	8am	10am
Ushers	Donna T Steve/Cami	Frank U Gary K	Mike Huffor
Server	Conrad K Michael M	Katie E Ashton H	Andrew S Alex S Aadon S
Reader	Barb C	Dottie E Donna H	Marvin D Teri S
EMHC	Please check with Fr Julius before Mass		
Church Cleaning Mon. Nov 15 – Nancy M/Jodi S			
Counters: Ron Karen/Mike			

## **ONLINE GIVING**

Visit our website at [www.sjtwrcc.org](http://www.sjtwrcc.org)  
Click on the "DONATE NOW" button

First gathering: Sept. 16, 1992 Blessing of Building: May 25, 2001  
Consecration of Altar & Church January 12, 2003  
Canonically erected Parish May 1, 2006 Feast of St. Joseph the Worker

**WEEKLY FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP:**

<b>October 30-31, 2021</b>		<b>Week 18</b>	
Attendance: 294		weekly Need: \$ 4063	
Offering 3434	Online \$170	week +/- -459	YTD + 4793
Capital Exp. \$105		Capital Build Fund \$ 0	
Good Shepherd \$170		Feed My Sheep \$ 73	

Thanks to all who give so generously. God Bless you!  
 Online Giving visit our website [www.sitwrcc.org](http://www.sitwrcc.org)



***Pray for the Sick  
 of our Parish***

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| Dale Bauer    | Mary Cornejo   | Charles Downs  |
| Ron Eydt      | Maria Figueroa | Raymond Hinkle |
| Jeanne Huffor | Alvaro Pina    | Karen Ruggiero |
| Susie Ryan    | Hugo Schielke  | Patty Swatzell |
| Dennis Wilson |                |                |

Any parishioner who is sick or having surgery, notify Fr. Julius or the office (privacy extended to those who request it).

**Event of Death:** notify the office if you would like the Parish to share your grief if a family member dies. Mass can be offered immediately or at a date convenient to the family.

**Happy Birthday –** Diana Aguilar-Hernandez, Estefany Cortez-Martinez, Baltazar Gallardo, Anayeli Gonzalez, Jose Lucio Gonzalez, Yoselin (Nicole) Gonzalez, Jazmin Guzman, Indra Husted, Gabriela Lopez, Artemio Mandujano, Chantel Rodarte-Martinez, Maria Vargas

**Happy Anniversary –** Roger & Jean Schneider

To add or remove a name from the list, please contact the office.



**Our Blessed Mother** has asked us to pray the rosary for world peace. Join us to say the rosary together at **7:00 PM on Thurs. at the grotto.**

**Thought for the week:**

“Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart.”

**Elizabeth Andrew**

“Volunteers don’t get paid, not because they’re worthless, but because they’re priceless.”

**Sherry Anderson**

**The Synod of Bishops:** has begun. For information:

<https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2021-05/synod-of-bishops-will-begin-in-the-local-churches.html>.

**Ministries/Commitment Weekend will be held this weekend, November 6-7, after all the Masses. Come and see the many opportunities for ways in which you can serve your parish. Volunteers are needed.**

Check out the books and other materials on the table in the parish hall. Free for the taking.

**RCIA:** is on Wed. at 7 PM in the parish hall.



**Join us for Coffee & Donuts** downstairs in the parish hall after the 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM Masses. All are welcome to join us.



**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

If you need to have recently moved and make a change of address, update your telephone number, cell number, email address, or any other information in your parish registration, please contact the Parish Office at (423) 442-7273. Thank you for helping us update our records and keep them current.

November 6-7, 2021



WASHINGTON – The Catholic Church in the United States will celebrate National Vocation Awareness Week, November 7-13,

2021. Dioceses across the U.S. will hold events to foster an appreciation for all vocations and pray specifically for those discerning a vocation to ordained ministry and consecrated life.

In his [message for the 58th annual World Day of Prayer for Vocations](#), Pope Francis offered St. Joseph, the foster father of Jesus, as a model for vocational discernment. “Amid all these upheavals, [St. Joseph] found the courage to follow God’s will. So too in a vocation: God’s call always urges us to take a first step, to give ourselves, to press forward. There can be no faith without risk. Only by abandoning ourselves confidently to grace, setting aside our own programmes and comforts, can we truly say “yes” to God,” he said, and exhorted the Church to look to St. Joseph as an “outstanding example of acceptance of God’s plans.”

Bishop James F. Checchio of Metuchen, chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops’ (USCCB) Committee on Clergy, Consecrated Life, and Vocations has encouraged dioceses to use National Vocation Awareness Week as a time for fostering vocations in their own local communities. “Studies of those recently ordained and religiously professed consistently show that the encouragement of the parish priest is the most influential factor in vocational discernment. But the accompaniment of the whole faith community is key for genuine vocational discernment – from one’s parents and family members, to the Catholic educators, as well as the vital role that youth ministers and fellow parishioners play as the early encounters for young people to the faith.”

Observance of Vocation Awareness Week began in 1976 when the U.S. bishops designated the 28th Sunday of the year to call attention to the importance of upholding vocations and praying for those discerning a religious vocation and celebrating those who were in ordained ministry and consecrated life. In 1997, the celebration was moved to the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord and in 2014, the USCCB’s Committee on Clergy, Consecrated Life and Vocations moved the observance of National Vocation Awareness Week to November to influence youth and young adults by engaging Catholic schools and colleges.

Resources to utilize during National Vocation Awareness Week, including homily aids, recommended reading and discernment tips, prayers of the faithful, and bulletin-ready quotes are available [online at the USCCB website](#). By US Affairs Office USCCB



WASHINGTON – The Biden Administration has published a new rule rescinding the “Protect Life Rule” governing the Title X family

planning program. That rule had the commendable effect of ensuring compliance with federal law by stipulating that Title X projects may not share office space or financing with abortion facilities and are not required to refer for abortion.

The rescission becomes effective on November 8.

Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann of Kansas City in Kansas, chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops’ (USCCB) Committee on Pro-Life Activities issued the following statement:

“The Catholic bishops have grave concerns about government promotion of contraceptives. At the same time, we have long supported efforts to ensure that abortion is kept physically and financially separate from family planning under Title X.”

“Title X was intended and authorized to be a program entirely separate from abortion and it plainly states that ‘the funds authorized under this legislation [shall] be used only to support *preventive* family planning services, population research, infertility services, and other related medical, informational, and educational activities’ (emphasis added).”

“Abortion is not family planning. Abortion takes the life of an already-conceived and growing child. The violence of abortion wounds countless women physically, spiritually, and emotionally. The Administration is wrong to allow taxpayer dollars to fund abortion providers who participate in a pre-pregnancy program specifically designed to exclude abortion.”

In January, Archbishop Naumann issued a statement reacting to the White House’s decision to rescind the Title X Rule: [U.S. Bishops’ Pro-Life Chairman on White House Action to Rescind Title X Rule | USCCB](#).

The USCCB filed comments to the proposed rule: [2021.title-X-comments-final \(usccb.org\)](#). by USCCB

FROM THE DESK OF  
**Fr. Julius**

Brothers and Sisters in Christ; Grace and peace!



Although Monday's *Solemnity of All Saints* was not a holy day of obligation this year, we still had a suitable attendance of faithful worshippers. The celebration was immediately followed on Tuesday with the Commemoration of our faithful departed, *All Souls*. But it need not end there, so let us continue throughout this month to extend prayers for all our loved ones in purgatory, on their way to our eternal home. On behalf of our faith community of St. Joseph the Worker, I thank all of you who have been sharing your precious time and treasures with our parish. The liturgy this weekend reinforces this total commitment to God's service who, like the poor widow, mirrors her humble and generous heart,

In the reading from the First Book of Kings, we see a poor widow with barely enough food for herself and her son, yet she welcomes the prophet Elijah as a man of God, humbly sharing her food with him and subsequently receiving her reward in the form of a daily supply of food for a year. In the Gospel, our Lord contrasts the external signs of honor sought by the scribes as they dropped their large sums into the box, with the humble, sacrificial offering of a poor widow. Jesus declares that the poor widow indeed gave the best and found favor with God. The poor widows in both readings gave all that they possessed for the glory of God. The second reading conveys how Jesus, as the High Priest of the New Testament, surrenders His life once to God totally and unconditionally as a sacrificial offering for our sins— a sacrifice far beyond the sacrifices made by the poor widows.

Throughout Salvation history, our Lord has exhibited a visible concern for widows and widowers, directing our sensitivity towards those in our own milieu. We are asked to sharpen our awareness of those folks who have suffered a loss; these are the isolated and grief-stricken family members who may even face financial burdens, sometimes overwhelmed with raising the family alone. Our model is our Lord who never fails to notice when we step out of our comfort zone to nurture the needs of others.

Our Lord evaluates us on the sacrifices we make for others and on the degree of our surrender to His holy will. It is not so much the hand that gives, but the heart that gives. Reaching for our wallets, purses and check books might be first in line, but Jesus teaches us also to step out and share our tenderness and compassion. Let us, like the poor widows, find the courage to share the wealth and talents we hold no matter how small we might think they are. The poor widow is teaching us all that every bit counts before the Lord.

This weekend is particularly important to our parish. Hopefully, you have discussed amongst your family your own "widow's mite" that you have to share with your parish? Feel free to stop by the office anytime with your stewardship offering to our parish. May the good Lord help us to freely share without fear, imitating Jesus' sacrifice to the world. Amen

A blessed Sunday!