



# SAINT JOSEPH CHURCH

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## Parish Staff

Reverend Joseph Boakye Yiadom .....Pastor  
Timothy Dupuis ..... Custodian  
Michelle Hodges ..... Secretary/Bookkeeper  
Karna Koskiniemi ..... Part-Time Sacristan/Housekeeper  
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Jim Grathoff .....Member  
Jim Hamlett .....Member  
Jim Koskiniemi.....Member  
Vicky Loukus.....Member  
Frank Ozanich .....Member  
Dennis Racine.....Member

## Mass Schedule

### Weekends

Saturday 4:00 pm  
Sunday 9:00 am

### Weekdays

Tuesday - 12:15 pm  
Wednesday, Thursday, Friday - 8:00 am  
(check schedule inside)

## Confessions

Saturday 2:30 pm until 3:40 pm (or by appointment)

## Baptisms

Please call to schedule a baptism.

## Marriages

You must call six (6) months in advance to schedule a marriage and begin the marriage preparation appointments.

## Anointing of the Sick

When someone is ill at home, in the hospital, or to arrange for this Sacrament before surgery, please call the Parish Office.

## Prayer Chain

Gail Koskiniemi: 906-369-0141 or email  
[2goldens4ever@gmail.com](mailto:2goldens4ever@gmail.com).



“This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends.” (Jn 15:12-13)

## LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

God is love. These three simple words deserve a great deal of attention. They have the power to transform our relationship with God from something that is static and distant to one that is personal and real.

We all know the power of love and how important it is to completing all of the human and divine circuits of our lives. But we do not often consider the awesome fact that it is given to us as a gift and is not simply part and parcel of the human package.

God is the author of love and love itself. When we truly love another human being, it is really God being God in and through us. The love to which we are called and the love of which the Gospel speaks is a selfless love that seeks the wellbeing of not only our significant others but of all of our brothers and sisters.

This love, which is of God, is a love that will endure all things and bring immeasurable joy when experienced. It is the most sincere form of friendship.

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## WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

**Question:** What is the difference between a "Saint" and a "Blessed"?



**Answer:**

The process of proclaiming someone as a saint in the Catholic Church has evolved over the course of many

centuries. In the beginning, those honored as saints were almost exclusively biblical figures or martyrs. However, after the legalization of Christianity in the fourth century, new holy women and men came to be honored as saints, and this was often done by popular acclaim or by the local bishop or abbot.

It was Pope Gregory IX (who was pope from 1227 to 1241) who officially proclaimed that only the pope had the authority to add someone to the official list (the "canon") of saints. This is the meaning of the word "canonization."

Today, the saint-making process includes several steps, including detailed studies of the person's life and a recognition that they died as a martyr or lived a life of "heroic virtue." Once someone is recognized as a martyr or if a miracle is attributed to their intercession, they will be beatified and honored as "Blessed." This means that they can be celebrated by Catholics in a particular country or region or by the members of certain religious community. If another miracle occurs and is approved, then the "Blessed" is canonized and honored with the title "Saint," meaning that they are now officially recognized as a universal model of holiness and an intercessor.

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## Collection Report

2 May 2021

5th Sunday of Easter

Adult (85) .....	\$2,856.00
Loose .....	143.00
Children (1) .....	5.00
Fuel (36) .....	581.00
Total .....	<b>\$3,585.00</b>
Saint Vincent de Paul (17) .....	\$116.00
Priest Retirement (8) .....	\$143.00

We are **so grateful** to those who continue to financially support our parish.

**Thank you also for all of the catch-up envelopes!**

The collection basket is in the entrance to the office for drop off or you can mail your support.

Thank you! And may God bless you!

On Good Shepherd Sunday, our parish and all parishes and missions throughout our Diocese took up a special collection to support our priests' retirement fund, known as the St. Joseph Association.



To date, our parishioners have collectively raised \$978.

Thank you for your generosity. There is still time to contribute if you haven't already done so. The money will be forwarded to the Diocese at the end of the month.

Thank you again!



## Knights' Corner

Let us, the BRANCHES, join together in prayer for our parish to bear much fruit.

When we pray the Rosary, we approach Christ through Mary -- His Mother and our Mother -- because of her special connection with Him and with us. ... When we turn to her in prayer, she will immediately guide us to Christ, because she has never had a thought that was not an act of worship for God.

For the remaining Saturdays in May, we will pray the rosary in the church at noon. Please note that on May 22nd, because of a scheduled funeral, we will meet at **12:30**.



### First Reading:

In the home of the Gentile-believer, Cornelius, Peter revealed one of the most significant insights from the early Church: "In truth, I see that God shows no partiality." Where do you see this message of unity needed today?



### Second Reading:

John saw love at the very core of God's divine identity. In fact, for John, "God is love." For this reason, believers are called to love one another. How do you keep this virtue paramount in your life?

### Gospel Question:

During his farewell discourse, Jesus refers to his disciples as his "friends." How often do you think of Jesus as your "friend?"

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In the charity of your prayers, please pray for the repose of the

soul of Alice Paquette, and for her family. Eternal rest grant unto Alice, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

## Eucharistic



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 6:00 pm on Wednesday with silent prayer and adoration until Benediction just before 7:00 pm.

All are welcome and encouraged to spend some time in prayer before the Exposed Blessed Sacrament.

Knights of Columbus Council 2713 will meet on Thursday, May 13th, at 7:00 pm in the parish hall for our monthly meeting.

Any men of the parish interested in learning more about the K of C, please call Jim Hamlett at 369-5750.



## Ordinations

Christian Flagstad and Brandon Yanni will be ordained deacons on Friday, May 14th.

Attendance is by invitation only; however the Mass will be livestreamed ([dioceseofmarquette.org/response](http://dioceseofmarquette.org/response)) beginning at \_\_\_\_\_.

Please keep these men in your prayers. May God fill them with grace and strength as they prepare to serve the Church in the Diocese of Marquette!

## CELEBRATE Mother's Day



Lord, our Heavenly Father,  
bless all mothers.  
For those who are living,  
let them be loving as you are loving,  
patient as you are patient,  
compassionate as you are compassionate,  
nurturing as you are nurturing.  
For those who are deceased,  
bless them with the fullness  
of your eternal life.  
Amen.



## Celebrating the Wisdom of Venerable Bishop Frederic Baraga

"O Mary...you wish to help us always and bestow your favors on us...intercede for us before God..."



**Saturday • May 8th**

4:00 pm Bertha Makolin  
by Her Family

**Sunday • May 9th**

9:00 am *Living & Deceased of our Parish*

**Monday • May 10th**

**NO MASS**

**Tuesday • May 11th**

12:15 pm Bernadette & Arnold Genovesi  
by Their Family

**Wednesday • May 12th**

8:00 am Louise MacDonald  
by Linda

**Thursday • May 13th**

8:00 am Bill Fezzey - 1 Year  
by Pattie & Family

**Friday • May 14th**

8:00 am June Sargent - 3 Years (5/12)  
by Lou & Lori Ambuehl

**Saturday • May 15th**

4:00 pm *Living & Deceased of our Parish*

**Sunday • May 16th**

9:00 am Ken Gervais  
by Sharon Little

“I remember my  
mother’s prayers  
and they have always  
followed me.  
They have clung to  
me all my life.”

—  
*Abraham Lincoln*

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**Readings for the Week of May 9th**

- Monday: *Saint Damien de Veuster, Priest*  
Acts 16:11-15/Jn 15:26-16:4a
- Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34/Jn 16:5-11
- Wednesday: *Saints Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs*  
*Saint Pancras, Martyr*  
Acts 17:15, 22-18:1/Jn 16:12-15
- Thursday: *Our Lady of Fatima*  
Acts 18:1-8/Jn 16:16-20
- Friday: **Saint Matthias, Apostle**  
Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Jn 15:9-17
- Saturday: *Saint Isidore*  
Acts 18:23-28/Jn 16:23b-28

*May 15th & 16th*

**Lector**

4:00 pm Dennis Racine

9:00 am Kathy Johnson

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

4:00 pm Laura Hamlett, Dennis Racine

9:00 am Mary Chamberlain, Jasper Frontiera

**Ushers**

4:00 pm Betty Dairo, Sherri Robinson,  
Jim Vanden Busch, \_\_\_\_\_

9:00 am Greg Dupuis, Tim Dupuis,  
Steve Klobucarich, Jerry Pini



**Saturday, May 15th**

Thank you to all who have given and served  
and to those who are serving today.



**BIRTHDAYS**

- 10 **Mary Drew, Jason Gray**
- 11 **Lloyd Goninan, Elizabeth Sapino**
- 13 **Paul Marcotte**
- 14 **Jean Gervais, Holly Rivest, Jeff St. Peter**
- 15 **Larry Josten**
- 16 **Martin Dennis, Mason Holzberger,  
Liz Williams**

*Happy Birthday!*

 This Week

**Wednesday - May 12th**

- 6:00 pm until 7:00 pm: Exposition, adoration and benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

**Saturday - May 15th**

- Noon: Rosary
- 2:30 pm until 3:40 pm: Confessions



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Fri-White Fish, Salmon, Trout  
Sat-BBQ Pork Ribs  
Sun-Ham & Turkey Dinner



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