



February 24, 2019

7th Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

"Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful." - Lk 6:36

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Mission Statement

St. Joseph Catholic Church strives to be a living and growing community of prayer, support and service formed by the Gospel. In our lives we try to live out these Gospel values in our Catholic heritage and pass them onto the upcoming generations. In the spirit of Jesus we try to reach out to those among us who are in need of our support and care within our parish and beyond.

Parish Information

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Lebanon St. Joseph's Catholic Church

The St. Joseph Parish welcomes new residents, visitors and McKendree students. We are glad to celebrate Eucharist with you. If you are new to the parish, please call the office to register.

When changing address, please notify the parish office.

Readings

Readings for the Week of February 24

Monday: Sir 1:1-10/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 [1a]/Mk 9:14-29
 Tuesday: Sir 2:1-11/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40 [cf. 5]/Mk 9:30-37
 Wednesday: Sir 4:11-19/Ps 119:165, 168, 171, 172, 174, 175 [165a]/Mk 9:38-40
 Thursday: Sir 5:1-8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [40:5a]/Mk 9:41-50
 Friday: Sir 6:5-17/Ps 119:12, 16, 18, 27, 34, 35 [35a]/Mk 10:1-12
 Saturday: Sir 17:1-15/Ps 103:13-14, 15-16, 17-18 [cf. 17]/Mk 10:13-16
 Next Sunday: Sir 27:4-7/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 [cf. 2a]/1 Cor 15:54-58/Lk 6:39-45

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Liturgical Ministers

Wednesday, February 27, 10am at Lebanon Care

Deacon George, Sue Cobb &
Diane Prather

Sunday, March 3, 10:30am

Readers PSR Grades 2, 7 & 8
Presenters PSR Students
Communion Lampkin Team
Servers Lynn Shirley and Grace Fergus

Wednesday, March 6, 7pm

Readers Ann Pier/Dan Nickerson
Presenters Andy & Deb Kuth Family
Communion Vonderharr Team
Servers Sebastian Fergus and Emily Nordmann

Last Week's Offering & Mass Attendance:

February 17 - 101

General Fund:

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| Envelopes | \$3277.00 |
| Loose | \$39.75 |
| First Offering | \$5.00 |
| Solemnity of Mary | <u>\$25.00</u> |
| This week's total: | \$3346.75 |
| Black/Indian Missions | \$260.85 |
| January SHARE | \$25.00 |
| Building Fund | \$160.00 |

Parish's weekly income need is \$3,250 and is based on FY 17/18 expenses.

Liturgy Schedule

St. Joseph and Corpus Christi Weekend Mass Schedule

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| Saturday | 5:00pm | Corpus Christi |
| Sunday | 9:00am | Corpus Christi |
| Sunday | 10:30am | St. Joseph |
| Sunday | 6:00pm | Corpus Christi |

(Mass Intention)

Wednesday, Feb. 27 10am Communion Service, *Lebanon Care*
Friday, Mar. 1 8:30am Communion Service
Sunday, Mar. 3 10:30am **Mass**, (Marvin & Donna Schulte)

Upcoming Events

Friday & Saturday, March 1 & 2

~Confirmation Class Retreat, Dubois Center

Sunday, March 3

~SVdP Meeting, 9am, Parish Hall

~Children's Mass & Enrollment of Names during 10:30am Mass

Ash Wednesday Soup Supper

Enjoy home-made potato soup and a sandwich before Mass
 Wednesday, March 6

Serving from 6pm at the Parish Hall



Donations toward the fasting meal will benefit

Lebanon Matthew 25:40 Ministries

We welcome help serving and cleaning up!

Faith Formation

PSR Kindergarten through Grade 8, Sunday morning 9:15-10:15am, in Parish Office; Grades 7 & 8, Sunday afternoon.



Pat Carver
 Anthony Fairlie
 Rich Garcia
 Sierra Lewis
 Pat Rodriguez
 Mary Strang

Cynthia Davis
 Christina Fairlie
 Johnnie Jones
 Connor Martin-Little
 Duane Rutherford

Please keep in prayer all the sick, especially those living with chronic health issues, the home-bound and those who cannot be with us today.

Please Pray For

Those serving in our military, especially Paige Buechele, Garrett Carson, Christian Collins, Jackson Collins, Matthew D'Amico, Aliyah Hicks and Michelle Prather; and all deployed military personnel and DOD civilians.

RIDE NEEDED Mary Lucas, a resident from the Cedar of Lebanon Apartments, has requested rides to and from Mass each week. If you are able to help, please contact the parish office.

PALMS WANTED Last year's (or other previous year's) palm branches will become this year's ashes to mark our Lenten journey. Please leave the old palms in the vestibule by March 1.

THE MESSENGER RENEWAL It's time for The Messenger Renewal. Please stay connected through a subscription. Cost is \$25 Print, \$25 Electronic, or \$30 for both. Payments can be made in your parish envelope or online at www.bellevillemessenger.org.

2019 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal

Next weekend every parish in the Belleville Diocese will be participating in The 2019 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal. This annual collection supports 14 ministries and agencies that provide social, parish and education services to people throughout our diocese. During this next week, please prayerfully consider making a gift or pledge at Mass next weekend. **No amount is too great or too small.** On behalf of the ministries that receive funding from The CSMA and all those they serve, thank you for your past support, your prayers and your consideration.

Drawdown 2019

Our 26th Annual Drawdown & Silent Auction will be at the Knights of Columbus Hall in O'Fallon on April 27. Contact Barry Copelin, 632-9316, or via email bcopelin@charter.net for a ticket (a ticket includes admission and catered dinner for two and a chance to win \$5,000). Tickets are \$100 each and only 150 will be sold. Tickets paid for by March 27 will be eligible for the early bird drawing.

If you have an item you would like to donate for the silent auction and/or prize package or would be able to help at the Drawdown, please contact Rita Christ, 537-2367, or Donna Weil, 973-1942.

Again this year, a beautiful quilt crafted by Terri Christ will be raffled at the Drawdown. Please also invite your friends and neighbors to take a chance on this one of a kind quilt.

Invite a friend or neighbor to come to the Drawdown Party. This is a great opportunity for everyone to support our Parish as well as have a good time . . . so be sure to mark your calendar!

St. Joseph Men's Club invites you to join them during Lent to work and to enjoy the Fish Fry, every Friday, 5-7pm, at the Hall. Please take note of the Friday you have been assigned to work, and arrange for a switch if you should have a conflict. Invite your family and friends to come too! The fish and fixins are delish!

Pro-Life Baby Bottle Drive

During the month of March, children from the PSR classes will provide baby bottles for donations. This year, the children are collecting for Pregnancy Care Center in Belleville. Please take a bottle to make a donation, or fill with your spare change over the coming weeks. Donations will be gladly accepted through April 7.

7th Sunday in OT - Picking up from last week

After Saint Luke's version of the Beatitudes, Jesus continues his Sermon on the Plain (the Sermon on the Mount is Saint Matthew's telling). "Give to everyone ... Do to others ... Love your enemies ... Be merciful ... Stop judging ... Stop condemning ... Give in good measure." This recalls the Jewish sense of mitzvah – both the doing of the commandments and the doing of acts and deeds beyond duty that connect us to God. Christians distill the older list of 613 to the golden rule and the 8 Corporal and 8 Spiritual Works of Mercy.

- ◆ Let me carry the Gospel – Luke 6:27-38 – with me this week and read it every day.
- ◆ What deed will I do beyond what I already "have to" do?
- ◆ What from this list is really hard for me to do? Will I try?

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