

# saint Joseph church



*January 17th, 2021*



**2<sup>nd</sup>**

**SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

John was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said, "Behold, the Lamb of God." The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus. - Jn 1:35-37

### 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.

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## Mass Intentions

**January 17**      *Helen Neff  
For The Parish*

**January 24**      *Gertrude Mueller  
Larry Mueller*

**January 31**      *Ralph Mueller  
For The Parish*



### CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

We are pleased to let you know, of the flowers that remained after Sunday, our smaller red poinsettias found a home at Cedar Ridge Rehab and the larger red poinsettias found a home in the lobby of Brightly Senior Center in Mascoutah.

**Thank you to all who donated.**



*Fr. Jim Margason  
Theresa Keepper  
Joan Christ  
Jeffrey Faust  
Bart Bartholomew*

### Weekly Readings Week of January 17, 2021

Sunday:	1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10 [8a, 9a]/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/ Jn 1:35-42
Monday:	Heb 5:1-10/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday:	Heb 6:10-20/Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9 and 10c [5]/ Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday:	Heb 7:1-3, 15-17/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/ Mk3:1-6
Thursday:	Heb 7:25-8:6/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17 [8a and 9a]/Mk 3:7-12
Friday:	Heb 8:6-13/Ps 85:8 and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [11a]/Mk 3:13-19
Saturday:	Heb 9:2-3, 11-14/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/ Mk 3:20-21
Next Sunday:	Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [4a]/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20

### Tithe & Attendance January 10, 2021 ~ 34 Attendees

Weekly Collections	\$4,040.00
First Offering	\$ 35.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 55.00
Matthew Ministries	\$ 726.00
Building Fund	\$ 65.00
Christmas Needy	\$ 5.00
<b>Total Collected:</b>	<b>\$4,926.00 +</b>
Facebook	685.00

#### Facebook Fundraiser:

On Giving Tuesday, December 1, 2020, we initiated a fundraiser for the church. We wanted to raise awareness that you have another way to donate to the church, through Facebook! We received a total of \$685!

Thank you to all who donated.



### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

<i>January 18</i>	<i>Courtney Koenig</i>
<i>January 18</i>	<i>Crystian Hernandez</i>
<i>January 19</i>	<i>Alyssa Baer</i>
<i>January 20</i>	<i>James Pier</i>
<i>January 21</i>	<i>Bradley Copelin</i>
<i>January 22</i>	<i>Charles Delorme</i>
<i>January 23</i>	<i>Karen Greenstreet</i>
<i>January 23</i>	<i>Arlene Baer</i>

### Join us virtually every Sunday at 9:00 am

You can watch Mass from Corpus Christi right from our YouTube Channel "Corpus Christi and St Joseph."

You can also use the links provided on our websites, Facebook pages along with a notification on the Partnership App.

**Mass is available for 48 hours after live streaming!**

**Contact us if you need assistance**

**537-2575**

"We are all dispensed from attending Mass in person"

### THE MESSENGER Renewal envelopes were mailed in your Jan/Feb packets.

If you did not receive one, and would like to renew or start a subscription to the Messenger, please pick up an envelope as you enter church.

You may return it via the office or collection basket and we will deliver it for you! Please contact the parish office if you have any questions.



**COMING SOON!**  
**St. Joseph Fish Fry Friday!**

The Men's Club of St. Joseph is once again sponsoring a Fish Fry Friday beginning on February 19th.

Mark your calendars for a night off of cooking!  
Drive Thru Only!

For more information or to volunteer contact Andy Fairlie or Parish Office.

**COVID VACCINE:**

Please contact your county's COVID website to sign up for the vaccine.

According to Pope Francis, "It is morally acceptable to receive Covid-19 vaccines that have used cell lines from aborted fetuses in their research and production process."

Due to the situation of the ongoing pandemic, "all vaccinations recognized as clinically safe and effective can be used in good conscience with the certain knowledge that the use of such vaccines does not constitute formal cooperation with the abortion from which the cells used in production of the vaccines derive." Vatican News

**2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time – 17 Jan 21**

1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19. Psalm 40:2,4, 7-8, 8-9, 10  
1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20. John 1:35-42.

**Listening, Discerning and Watching, Coming, Seeing, Finding.**

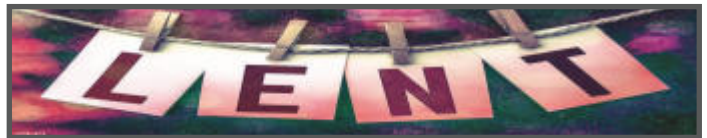
These words ending in *-ing* (technically "gerunds") in the first and gospel readings indicate some continuing action. They point out good Christian behaviors as we start this winter time between the seasons of Christmas and Lent. Like Samuel, we want to be always listening for God's voice, even while needing the help of another for discerning it. Like the Baptist, we want to be watching for Jesus moving among us, looking for his activity in surprising ways in our midst and, perhaps, the surprising people around us.

- How am I coming closer to Jesus day by day, week by week?
- How am I seeing Jesus active in our world?
- How am I finding myself following Jesus without question?

**Respect Life Corner**  
**"What are you looking for?"**

In the Gospel of John 1:35-42, Jesus questions the disciples in what becomes the foundation of John's Gospel written for all who seek. We are the seekers! The disciples answer Jesus's question with a question, "where are you staying?" With a "come and see" response, the disciples found the truth in Christ; that He really is the Messiah. That is the joy we also feel when we turn to Him and experience His love and mercy. We realize that only He can truly fill us, truly sustain us, truly forgive us and wipe the slate clean.

**Learn, Act, Connect and Pray-** What is it you are looking for? Jesus knows what are you deepest longings, the prayers in your heart are lifted up to the Lord. We must guide ourselves to avoid the "wrong places" that leave us empty; that do not truly satisfy our hearts. By seeking Him, by placing our trust in Him, we can truly pray that the Lord will help us to see that He is always the answer.



**LENT IS COMING SOON!**

Seemingly right on the heels of the Baptism of our Lord we come upon Ash Wednesday. It is exactly one month from today. Stay awake, be ready. Details on scheduling will be forthcoming.



**"RACIAL HARMONY PRAYER SERVICE:**

You are invited to attend a special Ecumenical Prayer Service for racial harmony in connection with observance of the birthday of Dr. Martin

Luther King, Jr.

The service will be held **Sunday, January 17, 2021 at 2:00 PM.** Bishop McGovern will deliver the sermon. You can view the live stream on St. Augustine of Hippo Facebook Page at: [staugustineeaststlouis](https://www.facebook.com/staugustineeaststlouis)


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