



Celebrate the Year of St. Joseph

December 2020—December 2021

Sunday, February 7th, 2021

5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

When it was evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were ill or possessed by demons. The whole town was gathered at the door. He cured many who were sick with various diseases, and he drove out many demons, not permitting them to speak because they knew him. - Mk 1:32-34

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

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| February 07 | William & Eleanor Schulte |
| February 14 | Sharon Weitekamp Mueller For The Parish |
| February 21 | Tom Gerstenecker Jr. Ralph Mueller |

Tithe & Attendance January 31, 2021 ~ 39 Attendees

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| Weekly Collections | \$1,521.00 |
| First Offering | \$ 5.00 |
| Solemnity of Mary | \$ 15.00 |
| Building Fund | \$ <u>115.00</u> |
| Total Collected | \$1,656.00 |

Happy February Birthday!



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| February 8 | Scott Christ |
| February 8 | Alexia Marwa |
| February 12 | Tom Forsyth |
| February 12 | Bob Schmitt Jr |
| February 13 | Tammy Forsyth |
| February 14 | Angela Ware |



Josh Bailey
Bart Bartholomew
Joan Christ
Jeffrey Faust
Theresa Keeper

Weekly Readings Week of February 7th

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| Sunday: | Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. 3a]/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39 |
| Monday: | Gn 1:1-19/Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10 and 12, 24 and 35c [31b]/Mk 6:53-56 |
| Tuesday: | Gn 1:20-2:4a/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [2ab]/Mk 7:1-13 |
| Wednesday: | Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17/Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30 [1a]/Mk 7:14-23 |
| Thursday: | Gn 2:18-25/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1a]/Mk 7:24-30 |
| Friday: | Gn 3:1-8/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7 [1a]/Mk 7:31-37 |
| Saturday: | Gn 3:9-24/Ps 90:2, 3-4abc, 5-6, 12-13 [1]/Mk 8:1-10 |
| Next Sunday: | Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 [7]/1 Cor 10:31-11:1/Mk 1:40-45 |

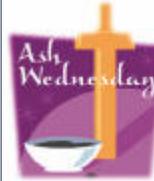


February Newsletter was mailed January 31, 2021. Please let us know if you did not receive it. Our goal is to ensure that each household receive a copy and that we have the most up to date mailing information.

If you are moving—and wish to remain connected—please send us your forwarding address.

A Family is a Family Always!

A SAME AND DIFFERENT ASH WEDNESDAY 2021



Instead of giving ashes on the forehead—unsafe in this COVID time—we will receive them by sprinkling on the top of the head (permitted by our ritual rules). Silence will be maintained during the disposition.

This method is commonly used throughout Europe, although, prior to COVID, a verbal prayer was spoken. You will still bear ashes home to begin our Lenten practices.

Come to Ash Wednesday Mass, Feb 17.
12:10 pm @ St. Joseph
7:00 pm @ Corpus Christi

Register here:



Join us virtually every Sunday at 9:00 am

You can watch Mass from Corpus Christi on 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!
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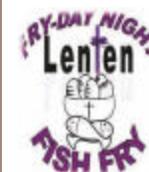
“We are all dispensed from attending Mass in person”

Link to Feb 7 Mass Reservation Form



OLD PALMS

You may drop off your old palms at the rectory or church.



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The Year of Saint Joseph Dec 20-Dec 21

Pope Francis has proclaimed a special "Year of St Joseph," beginning on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception 2020 and extending to the same feast in 2021. This coincides with the 150th anniversary of Blessed Pope Pius IX's declaration of St Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church.

The pope wrote a letter, *Patris corde*, against the backdrop of the Covid-19 pandemic, which, he says, has helped us see more clearly the importance of "ordinary" people who, though far from the limelight, exercise patience and offer hope every day. In this, they resemble Saint Joseph, "the man who goes unnoticed, a daily, discreet and hidden presence," who nonetheless played "an incomparable role in the history of salvation."

Prayer to St. Joseph

Gracious St. Joseph,
Protect me and my family
From all evil, as you did the Holy Family.

Kindly keep us ever united in the love of Christ, ever fervent in imitation of the virtues of our Blessed Lady, your sinless spouse, and always faithful in devotion to you,

Amen

My Saint Pio Prayer Book



Invest in Kids Scholarship Tax Credit Program – Open for 2021

The students and staff at Sister Thea Bowman Catholic School want to thank all parishioners who previously supported

the school by donating through the **EMPOWER Illinois Invest in Kids program.**

By donating to Invest in Kids you provided scholarships to low income families and received a **75% IL TAX CREDIT** this year, *donations made by Mar 31st earn us a 1 for 1 matching gift for donations*, up to a maximum of \$30,000.00. This could mean 25+ full scholarships!

For more information, go to EMPOWERILLINOIS.ORG or contact Sister Thea Bowman Principal Dan Nickerson at (618) 397-0316 or principal@srthea.org.

INCLEMENT WEATHER: If weather makes for hazardous conditions during the winter months and we are forced to cancel Mass, cancellation will be posted on KSDK, Facebook and the Parish Website.

We are looking for donations to help with snow and ice removal this winter. Do you have snow blower, salt spreader or shovels that need a new home? Do you know anyone who would salt our parking lot in the event of ice? Call us!

Messenger Subscription Renewal Weekend is February 6-7, 2021



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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 07 February 2021

Job 7:1-4, 6-7; Psalm 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6.;
1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23; Mark 1:29-39.

Pursuing Jesus. After curing Simon's mother-in-law, Jesus, standing at the door, is teaching, healing, and casting out demons. Then, leaving at dawn, he goes off alone. Simon and the boys, pursuing him, find him praying and plead: "Everyone is looking for you."

"Since I am looking, where will I find Jesus this week? -
What teaching of his do I need to hear?"

- What healing?
- Where and when will I make time for praying?

KC SCHOLARSHIPS: The Council has four (4) \$500 scholarships to be awarded in 2021 for graduating high school seniors.

Eligibility requirements (Graduating senior, daughter/granddaughter or son/grandson of KC member in good standing or deceased member, and a completed application). Application forms can be obtained from OTHS or by e-mail to kthouvenot@att.net. Contact Ken Thouvenot at kthouvenot@att.net with any questions.

Completed applications must be submitted no later than 7:00 pm April 1, 2021.

World Day of the Sick – February 11, 2021

Prayer for the Sick:

Be with those whose bodies burn with fever, rage with pain, and struggle for breath.
Be with those whose minds and emotions face the wait of a diagnosis, wrestle with the choices for treatment.
Be with those whose spirits are exhausted by the quest for health, doubt the existence of love and respect for all God's people, question the fairness of life, or stare into the face of death.
Cool the fever, and bring an end to the pain. Ease anxiety and fear. Build trust in your everlasting love and care. God of healing, hear our prayer. Amen

Prayer for the Caregiver:

God of comfort and strength,
Be with those whose backs ache with the weight of lifting, whose hands are raw from the constant washing, whose eyes close frequently from lack of sleep, and whose bodies feel broken and weary.
Be with those whose anxiety cannot face one more "what if," whose thoughts do not dare go beyond the next moment, whose tears have flowed until there are no more, whose patience is worn too thin and whose mind and emotions have become fragile.
Be with those whose spirits are exhausted by the demands of caring for the sick, doubt the existence of love, question the fairness of life, or stare into the reality of losing a loved one to death.
Soothe the body and ease the pain. Calm the anxiety and fear. Build trust in your everlasting presence and love. God of all, hear our prayer. Amen

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