

Welcome to St. Joseph's Parish...



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RECTORY

Mailing Address:
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Office Hours:

Tuesday and Wednesday
10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday - 4:00 p.m.
Sunday - 10:00 a.m.

Daily Mass Schedule

Tuesday - Friday 9:00 a.m.

Confession:

Before Mass or by appointment.

Parish Staff

Fr. Dave Bruener

Parish Secretary

Beth Griffith
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17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what good are these for so many?" Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to those who were reclining, and also as much of the fish as they wanted. - Jn 6:9, 11

JULY 25, 2021

WHAT IS SPIRITUAL COMMUNION?

What happens when we cannot receive Jesus sacramentally? The tradition tells us to make a “spiritual communion”, joining our whole selves—to his sacrificial presence in the Eucharist—even when that sacrament is not before us to receive.

In his last encyclical as Pope, St. John Paul II explained that the practice of spiritual communion has “happily been established in the Church for centuries and recommended by saints who were masters of the spiritual life. Saint Teresa of Jesus wrote: ‘When you do not receive communion and you do not attend Mass, you can make a spiritual communion, which is a most beneficial practice; by it the love of God will be greatly impressed on you’”

PRAYER OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire you with all my heart. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I ask you to come spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already in my heart and unite myself to you completely. Please do not let me ever be separated from you. Amen.



We are searching for individuals to bring forth their gifts/talents to enhance our music program. Looking for cantors, singers, pianists, organist, guitarist, etc. If you possess

such musical talent, please contact Father Dave.

Thanking you in advance!!



MUSIC IS A FORM OF PRAYER, UNITING PEOPLE EVERYWHERE. TRANSCENDING LANGUAGE, TIME AND RACE- RHYTHM BUILDING AT A PACE WILL TRANSFORM MOST ANY PLACE INTO A HOLY, SACRED SPACE.



Our Produce Stand is Open

To all who would like to donate and share from their gardens, feel free to bring in your produce. You can place your items on the table, next to the dresser.

Those wishing to enjoy goodies from others’ gardens, please leave a donation.

THANK YOU!

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 145

R/. The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

Let all your works give you thanks, O Lord, /
and let your faithful ones bless you.
Let them discourse of the glory of your kingdom /
and speak of your might. **R/.**



The eyes of all look hopefully to your, /
and you give them their food in due season;
you open your hand / and satisfy the desire of every living thing. **R/.**

The Lord is just in all his ways / and holy in all his works.
The Lord is near to all who call upon him, /
To all who call upon him in truth. **R/**

VIGIL LIGHTS: There are small votive candles on the west side of the church, under the Statue of Prague. \$1.00 donation. You light these candles yourself along with your prayers/intention.

There are also larger vigil lights located near the west side of the altar. If you would like one of these candles lit for your intention, please place \$3.00 in an envelop, labeled vigil lights. These are 5-day candles.



CCD Teachers Needed!!

Currently we have openings for 1st grade and 3rd grade . We are looking for Confirmed faith-filled individuals who are practicing Catholics, attending Mass regularly and have a heart for the youth to be CCD Teacher CCD teacher training begins in August. Please contact Theresa David if you are interested at 608-339-0645.



RCIA / Adult Formation. Are you or do you know someone who is interested in the Catholic Faith? Father is planning more classes again this year. If you are not Catholic and interested in becoming Catholic or if you would just like to know more about the Catholic Faith, please contact the office for more information.

Reminder: **Heroic Men Website** If you haven't done so, check out the Heroic Men website here, and let the Catholic men in your Parish know about this great site. It is a 100% free Catholic streaming platform designed especially for men who want to discover (or re-discover) the truth, beauty and goodness of the Catholic Faith. Offering more than 100 feature-length films, TV shows, documentaries and short films, Heroic Men seeks to source the best Catholic media available and bring it all to you, all in one place.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, July 26th: NO MASS

Tuesday, July 27th:

8:30 a.m. Rosary

9:00 a.m. MASS

**Teresa De Peraza, Successful Health Procedure by
Martin Aquino**

Wednesday, July 28th:

8:30 a.m. Rosary

9:00 a.m. MASS

✦Don Rolling by Marlene Rolling

Thursday, July 29th: Saint Martha

8:30 a.m. Rosary

9:00 a.m. MASS

Arthur Gately by Jim Gately

Friday, July 30th:

8:30 a.m. Rosary

9:00 a.m. MASS

✦Rudy Smrz by Family



**Immediately following
Mass,
there is an hour of
Eucharistic adoration.**

Saturday, July 31st:

4:00 p.m. MASS

✦Robert S. Wagner by Harvey & Bev Wagner

**Sunday, August 1st: *EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME***

10:00 a.m. MASS

✦Pauline Bruce by Sylvia Breene

12:30 p.m. MASS at Pilot Knob/St. Methodius

Monday, August 2nd: NO MASS

*Allowing for social distancing in church, you can also
participate in Mass and receive communion outside. Please let
someone know you are wanting to receive communion.
Just tune in to station 87.9 on your car's radio.
Thank You!!*

Parish Contributions from July 17th & 18th, 2021

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| Adult Envelops: |  | \$1792.00 |
| Offertory: | | 504.06 |
| Catholic Life Mag: | | 39.00 |
| A-F County Market Receipts.: | | <u>1927.71</u> |
| Total: | | \$4262.77 |

Building Fund: \$75.00



Father is looking into having altar servers return to helping with the Mass. If you are interested in being an altar server, please call the office to inform them of your interest; whether you have experience or would be interested in learning. Training sessions will be provided. If you were an altar server in the past and would like to remain an altar server, please call and inform us of your wishes, as things have changed over this past year. This is for all ages, male/female. Thank You!

MASS at PILOT KNOB/ST METHIDIUS



Annual Mass & Meeting will be held on
Sunday, August 1st.
Meeting = 12:00 p.m.—noon
Mass = 12:30 p.m.

Pot luck lunch to follow at St. Joseph's Parish Center

Bringing Peace Amid Conflict

Some may object saying, "How then will others come to faith, when they see on our account children being slain by their fathers, and brothers killing brothers, and all things filled with abomination?" How could this sort of warfare work out? Will not we be treated as though we were destructive demons? As though we were a plague and pests to be driven out from every quarter? Won't they see that the earth is filled with the blood of kinsmen fighting kinsmen? Even so our sole purpose is to bring peace into their houses, even amid so much conflict. And this peace is beautiful. Suppose there had been some great number of us, not merely twelve! Suppose we had been wise and skilled in rhetoric, trained orators rather than "unlearned and ignorant." What would have come of our proclamation? Suppose we had been kings, in possession of armies and an abundance of wealth? Would we have been thereby more persuasive in proclaiming this kingdom of peace? When we despise our own safety why do they pay all the more attention to us?

But they were not thinking or saying these things. They were not putting Jesus' commands to some pragmatic test. Rather, they simply yielded and obeyed. And this obedience did not come from their own moral excellence as such but rather itself was a gift of grace from their teacher. Whatever fearful things they were to face, the more so would they be given grace to face them.

St. John Chrysostom, Homily on the Gospel of Matthew

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