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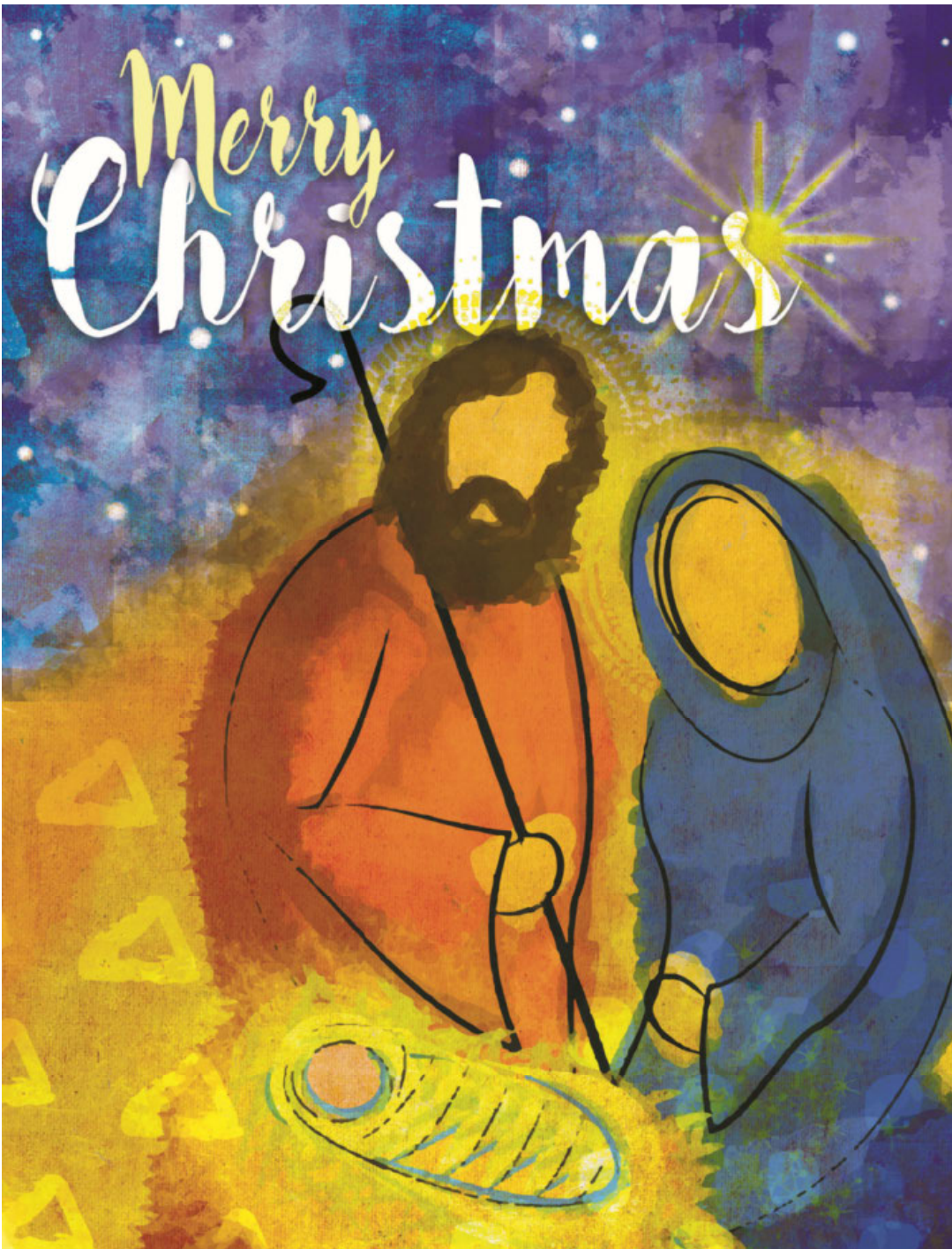
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DECEMBER 26, 2021 & JANUARY 2, 2022

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEARS

Together we are St. Joseph: a healthy, growing, and welcoming faith community that brings people to Christ, forming intentional disciples and sending them out to transform the world. Every member is committed to worship, grow, serve, connect, and give.



MASS TIMES

Weekends

Saturday | 5pm

Sunday | 8am & 10am

Weekdays

No Monday Mass

Tuesday - Friday | 8:30am

The Rosary is prayed before Mass

Holy Days

Mass times vary for Holy Days on the Church's liturgical calendar. Check the bulletin and our website.

EUCCHARISTIC

EXPOSITION & PRAYER

Exposition of the Eucharist

Tue, Wed & Fri, 7-8am

Thursdays, 9am-9pm

Adoration of Jesus in the Tabernacle

Come to pray, reflect, or simply rest in Our Lord's presence in the Tabernacle. Weekdays 7am-9pm, Saturdays 7am-6:30pm, Sundays 7am-8pm.

Prayer Ministries

Contact the Parish Office with your prayer requests for our Prayer Chain Ministry, 266-2226 or Istarnold@stjosephcatholicdsm.org

SACRAMENTS & CARE

MINISTRIES

Reconciliation

Saturday | 3:30pm-4:45pm

Sunday | 7:15am-7:45am & 9:15am-9:45am

Also available by appointment

Other Sacraments

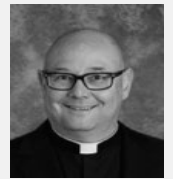
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Caring for the Sick or Confined

Please contact the Parish Office to receive Holy Communion, Anointing of the Sick, or simply a visit at the place of care. We depend on family and parishioners to inform us when someone is hospitalized or homebound.

My Dear Good People,

To all those who are visiting St. Joseph Parish for Christmas, please know that you are always welcome to join us in prayer and celebration. God the Father has given to us the biggest gift of all; His own Son, Jesus Christ. We thank you for celebrating Christmas with us here at St. Joseph.



At this time, I want to thank our Worship and Spirituality Committee. They always do a great job of helping to bring a wonderful and prayerful environment to St. Joseph. Please take time to say a prayer of thanksgiving for all those who help with the Mass. Please give a special thank you to all our musicians and vocalists. Thank you for making Christmas a beautiful celebration.

This Christmas Day, we will be serving the poor and the lonely a Christmas meal. Please join the Eastside Cluster of Churches on Christmas Day from 11:30am to 1pm. You are welcome to come and enjoy a meal. There is no reason for you to be alone this Christmas. Please also say a prayer of thanksgiving for all those who help with this meal every year. Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!

Together We are St. Joseph!

Fr. Joseph Pins

ST. JOSEPH CAMPUS NEWS & EVENTS

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 25
9:00am Luigi Bevilacqua †

Sunday, December 26
8:00am Jamie Kuehl †
10:00am Parishioners

Tuesday, December 28
8:30am Patrick & Ellen Bishop †

Wednesday, December 29
8:30am Cody John St. Arnold †

Thursday, December 30
8:30am Elizabeth Thompson †

Friday, December 31
8:30am Bob Berg †

Saturday, January 1
5:00pm Helen Herman †

Sunday, January 2
8:00am Wain Main †
10:00am Parishioners

Tuesday, January 4
8:30am Pete & Dorothy Peterson †

Wednesday, January 5
8:30am Norma Pins †

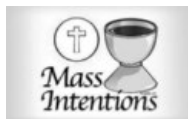
Thursday, January 6
8:30am Ron & Marlene Vorrath †

Friday, January 7
8:30am Elizabeth Thompson †

Saturday, January 8
5:00pm Phil Huss †

Sunday, January 9
8:00am Marv, Jr. & Marvin Deer †
10:00am Parishioners

† Deceased



OBSERVANCES

Observances for the week of December 26, 2021

Sunday: The Holy Family
Monday: St. John, Apostle and Evangelist
Tuesday: The Holy Innocents, Martyrs
Wednesday: St. Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr
Friday: St. Sylvester I, Pope; New Year's Eve
Saturday: New Year's Day; Mary, The Holy Mother of God; World Day of Peace

Observances for the week of January 2, 2022

Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord; Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church
Monday: The Most Holy Name of Jesus
Tuesday: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious
Wednesday: St. John Neumann, Bishop
Thursday: St. André Bessette, Religious
Friday: St. Raymond of Penyafort, Priest
Next Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord

Sunday School (ages 4-8) - Children are invited to Sunday School during the 10am Mass. Children will be called to the front of the church as we lift our hands and pray over them, right before the Liturgy of the Word. Please pick your child up in the Parish Center directly after Mass.

Busy Bags are hanging in the Gathering Space of the church for young parishioners to use during Mass. Please hang up after use.

NOTEWORTHY DATES FOR OUR CAMPUS & BEYOND

St. Joseph Campus events listed below will be detailed in future issues. Events hosted by other organizations will be detailed as bulletin space allows; contact information is provided as needed.

January 6 | i.d. 9:16 Young Adult Group | [facebook.com/id916dsm/?ref=page_internal](https://www.facebook.com/id916dsm/?ref=page_internal) | Fox Brewing Co, 6:30pm

January 9 | First Reconciliation Parent/Child Retreat | St. Joseph Church, begins with 10am Mass, 10-12:30pm

January 10 | The Third Option - Marriage Enrichment | All Saints, 7pm

January 15 | Pray with Pulse Life Advocates | Planned Parenthood, 1040 E. Army Post Rd, 11-12pm





AS YOU ENJOY THE BEAUTIFUL MEMORIAL FLOWERS ADORNING THE CHURCH, PLEASE OFFER A PRAYER FOR THE LOVED ONES WHOSE MEMORIES THEY HONOR:

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Bob & Lou Hildebrand	Steven Pettit
David Eklund	Leonard Pettit
Sandra Farrington	Garrett Lear
Mary Klootwyk	Mary Adams
Mary Burke	Richard Mosqueda
Irene Gilbride	Ron Mosqueda
Tony Akes	Andy Mosqueda
Marlene Bennigsdorf	Jim Blanchard
Merlene Akes	Dr. & Mrs. Pandullo
Duane & Irene Zewen	Mary Flynn
Rex & Ida Iske	Norbert & Virginia Taycher
Marvin Deer	Amy Vore
Marv Deer, Jr.	Jane Siebrecht
Ellen Deer	Joe & Carol Fatino
Duke & Helen Dakovich	Fatino & Lloyd Families
Jimmy Dakovich	Avritt Family
Larry Voves	David R. & Colleen Ryan
Leona Stahowick	David J. & Florence Ryan
Conner Mason	Jim Schechinger
Richard & Mary Webber	All Who Have Served Our Country
Joan Griglione	Pat & Ellen Bishop
Elaine Griglione	Richard & Diana Shandri
Family Members of Parishioners	Pirillo Family
Bernadine & Anthony Senn Family	Charles & Richard Formaro
Homer, Sr. & Maxine Swese Family	Dominic & Filomena Formaro
Dick & Maryann Pertzborn	Bernie & Mary Hosman
Grant & Fisher Families	Paul, Bernie, Joe Hosman
Natalie Marie Baker Huddleson	Randy Wells
John & Alina Lynch	Linder/Thomas/McCarthy/Haler/
Michael Lynch	Oltman/Brewster & Rupp Families
Jim Clancy	Maria de Jesus Acosta
Ralph & Rose Richardson	Luz Martinez
Walter & Lillian Johnson	Jesus Rangel
Loomis Family	Cody John St. Arnold
Connie Price	Ron & Marlene Vorrath
Darwin Nece	Nancy Vorrath
Rosanne Hernandez	Michael St. Arnold
Fr. Dan Gehler	Kenny & Jean Schnoebelen
Phil Huss	Aldo & Violet Ballantini
Emily Thompson	

Music Notes

Merry Christmas! Have you ever wondered where the greeting "Merry Christmas" originated? In England, from Catholic Bishop John Fisher (now a saint) in a letter to King Henry VIII's chief minister Thomas Cromwell in 1534. Prior to Fisher's new greeting, the common greeting was "Happy Christmas." Before long, "Merry Christmas" became the favored greeting, as it evoked a behavior, rather than a feeling...that we should be merry, joyful, exuberant and lively in celebrating the Love that came to us on Christmas day! So today, on the Feast of the Holy Family we joyfully sing, "Love Has Come," by Matt Maher, with its beautiful refrain, "Word of God...dwell in us forevermore. Love has come to show the way."

St. Joseph Home & School Association presents



Eat, Drink & Tease Your Brain!

Saturday, January 29, 2022 | School Gym
\$200 per table/\$30 per person (8-player max per table)
Reserve your spot/table by January 14 by emailing
homeandschool@stjosephcatholicdsm.org

DIOCESAN OPPORTUNITIES



Keep the Christmas Spirit Alive

New this year! The Diocese of Des Moines has family faith resources at dmdiocese.org/christmas2021 to help parents keep the celebration of the birth of Jesus alive throughout the Christmas liturgical season.

Catholic Youth Camp

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CAMPUS INFORMATION

PASTORAL TEAM

Rev. Joseph Pins, Pastor
Rev. Mr. Marvin Brewer, Deacon
Rev. Mr. Randy Lynch, Deacon
Rev. Mr. Bill Hare, Deacon
Dave Ortega, Business Manager, Director of Faith Formation
Jodi Halligan, School Principal
Tammie Dixon, High School Youth Ministry
Debbie Muse, Bookkeeper
Lisa St. Arnold, Parish Administrative Secretary
Krystelle Cortes-Ryan, School Administrative Secretary
Kristin Hook, School Secretary
Dodie Bauman, Music Ministry
Elizabeth Gavin, Custodial, Maintenance
Dan Schmitz, Custodial, Maintenance
Bailee St. Arnold, Custodial

PARISH & SCHOOL OFFICES

Parish Office (Mon-Fri, 8:30am-3:30pm) | (515) 266-2226
Faith Formation Office 402-4734 (Dave), 266-2449 (Tammie - HS)
School Office (M-F, 7:30am-3:30pm) | (515) 266-3433

SACRAMENTS

Anointing of the Sick

Details on cover.

Baptism

The family must be registered at this parish. If this is the family's first baptism, classes are required. Please call the Parish Office.

First Communion

Children of the diocese begin preparing for this sacrament in the first grade, then receive the sacrament in second grade. For information and registration, please contact Dave Ortega, 515-402-4734.

Confirmation

Youth of the diocese prepare for this sacrament through a two-year program and are confirmed in their sophomore year of high school. Please contact Tammie Dixon at the Parish Office, 515-266-2449.

Matrimony

One member of the couple must be registered at this parish. Contact the Parish Office at least 6 months in advance of the proposed wedding date; diocesan guidelines do not permit setting a definite date for the wedding until part of the Marriage Preparation Program has been completed.

Reconciliation

Details on cover.

Priesthood & Religious Life Information

Please visit www.vocationsonline.org.

NEWCOMERS OR THOSE INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC

Welcome to St. Joseph Parish! We are so happy that you are here, and we look forward to meeting you. *If you would like to join our parish, please pick up a registration form in the main church entry. You may return the form by mail, or in person to the Parish Office. If you are curious about the Catholic faith and open to becoming a Catholic Christian, please contact the Parish Office to learn more.*

PRAYER CHAIN MINISTRY

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PARISH CORE COUNCILS MEETING TIMES

Pastoral Council | TBD, *Chair*

Meets monthly on the third Saturday at 8:00am.

Finance Council | *Nick Gifford, Chair*

Meets monthly on the third Tuesday at 7:00pm.

Board of Education | *Will Utter, Chair*

Meets monthly on the first Thursday at 6:00pm.

Building & Grounds Committee | *Brett Tigges, Chair*

Meets quarterly.

Worship Committee | *Lisa Black & Mary Slater, Co-Chairs*

Meets monthly on the fourth Thursday at 7:00pm.

CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Question:

I have been away from the Church for a few years and really want to get active again, not so much for me, but for my children. Is this a bad reason to come back to Church?

Answer:

If you are on your way to the supermarket, and you are forced to detour from your usual route because of road work, does the food you buy taste different? Is the meal less filling? Are the vegetables less tasty? Of course not. In our faith journey, there are many detours called sin. Some are greater than others, some are even a bit longer. But God's grace comes to us in ways we understand and recognize and need. Your children leading you back to the Church is not as important as the fact that you are back.

This is an opportunity for you to renew, strengthen, and deepen your faith. Regardless of how we get to Church, or what draws us closer to God, the fact is we are there. Do what you need to do to get right with God and the Church. Go to confession, begin good family religious practices, and be involved in the ministries your parish offers. Be more than a lukewarm parishioner. Be the kind of Catholic you want your children to be. ©LPi



Questions of the Week



First Reading:

Hannah, the mother of Samuel, and Samuel's father are portrayed as parents of deep prayer and great faith. How would you describe the faith of your mother or father?

Second Reading:

John teaches us that if we believe in Jesus and love one another, "we may be called children of God." How do you show gratitude for being part of this holy family?

Gospel:

Luke is the only Evangelist to preserve a story about Jesus from his youth. In this account, Mary and Joseph are filled with "great anxiety" as they searched for Jesus who they thought was lost.

How do you seek God's help for the anxious moments

In your family? LPi



CAMPUS CALENDAR, MITTEN TREE & CATHOLIC KIDS



December 27 - January 9

Monday, December 27

8:15am SJS Music Classes (all day) St. Joseph Rm

Tuesday, December 28

5:30pm St. Vincent de Paul Group St. Joseph Rm
6:00pm RCIA Parish Center

Wednesday, December 29

8:15am SJS Music Classes (all day) St. Joseph Rm
9:00am Carpet Cleaning Church

Thursday, December 30

9:00am Exposition of the Eucharist Church
9:00pm Benediction Church

Friday, December 31 ~ Office Closed

Saturday, January 1 ~ New Years Day

Sunday, January 2

4:00pm 20-decade Rosary, Exposition & Benediction Church

Monday, January 3

8:15am SJS Music Class (all day) St. Joseph Rm

Tuesday, January 4

8:30am School Mass by 4th Grade Church
6:00pm RCIA Parish Center

Wednesday, January 5

8:30am School Mass by 5th Grade Church
8:15am SJS Music Classes (all day) St. Joseph Rm
6:00pm Year 1s Confirmation Prep Parish Center
6:15pm Faith Formation/Adults/Parents Church
6:15pm Faith Formation (Grades 1-8) School
7:30pm Year 2s Confirmation Prep Parish Center

Thursday, January 6

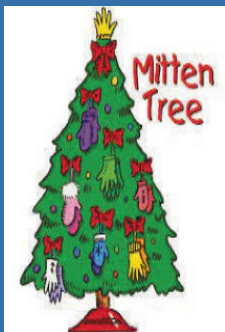
9:00am Exposition of the Eucharist Church
6:00pm Board of Education Meeting Parish Center
9:00pm Benediction Church

Saturday, January 8

7:30am Men's Prayer Group Parish Center
9:00am St. Monica Group Chapel
10:00am Saturday Morning Women's Prayer Group St. Joseph Rm

Sunday, January 9

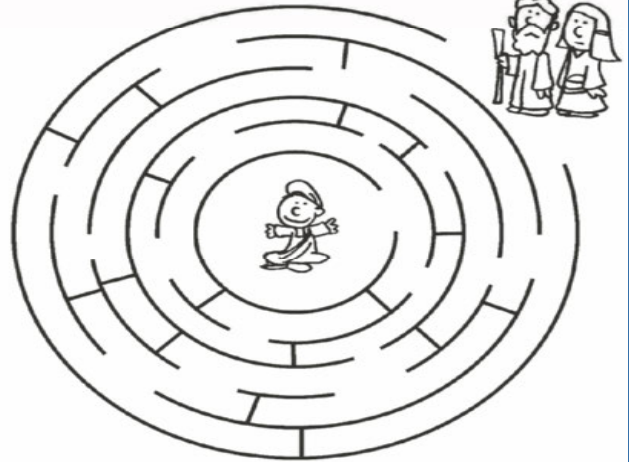
10:00am First Reconciliation Retreat Parents/Kids Church
11:00am First Reconciliation Retreat Continues Parish Center
1:00pm Martha & Mary Group Parish Center



Mitten Tree
The St. Joseph Mitten Tree is located in the Gathering Space. We will be collecting mittens, gloves, hats, and scarves for school-aged children. Bring your donation in through December 31. Your support will keep kids warm this winter!

PUZZLE

Help Mary and Joseph find Jesus.

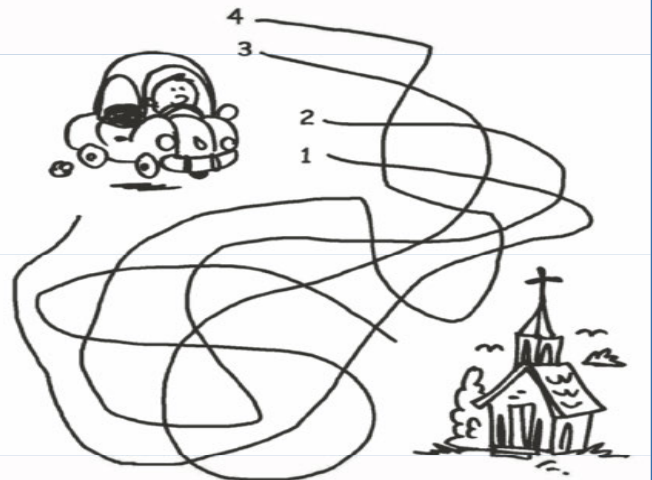


MISSION

Help visitors to your church feel welcomed. As a family or as a class, make cards for visitors, asking them to come back.

PUZZLE

Find the way that leads to church!



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