Pastor:
The Reverend Gregory P. Stowe

Deacon:
Rev. Mr. Cyrille Cote

Mass Schedule
Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Weekdays: 7:00 a.m.
Saturdays: 8:00 a.m.
Holy Days: As Announced in Bulletin
School Mass: 9:30 a.m.

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Sacraments
Baptism: Date to be determined by pastor and parents
Confirmation: One year program starts in September
Reconciliation: During the health crisis Confessions are by appointment
Matrimony: Contact the Rectory at least 10 months in advance.

Religious Education
Email: religouseducation.stjoseph854@gmail.com
Grades 1-8: TBD
Confirmation: TBD

Music Ministry
Adult & Young People’s Choirs
Director: Mrs. Amanda Santo
Organist: Mrs. Claudette Archambault

Parish Office
Business Manager: Ms. Natalia Bonella

Parish Officers
Trustees: Mr. Thomas Walsh & Mr. Daniel T. Burns, Jr.
Auditors: Mr. Norman Lavallee & Mrs. Elizabeth Pimentel

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Principal
Mrs. Erin M. Clark
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Dear Parishioners,

This weekend, we celebrate Gaudete Sunday. The most recognizable observation of this call to “rejoice in the Lord always” is the pink candle on the advent wreath. On Gaudete Sunday, the season of Advent shifts its focus. The first two weeks of Advent can be summed up in the phrase, “The Lord is coming.” Beginning this weekend thru the rest of Advent, the summary might be, “The Lord is near.”

Each year, our parish adopts several families with our Annual Giving Tree. Due to the pandemic, we asked for gift cards and donations to the Mother Teresa Fund so we could purchase additional gift cards and distribute them to families in need. I wasn’t sure what to expect. I figured if we raised one or two thousand dollars, that’d be pretty great. Well, I wasn’t even close.

Our parish and school community responded to the Giving Tree solicitation with over $5,800 in donations to the Mother Teresa Fund. In addition to that, we received more than $800 in gift cards to Walmart, Stop and Shop, Target, and Amazon. All in all, we have raised nearly $7,000 to help provide some Christmas morning joy to families who otherwise would go without.

I am at a loss for words. On behalf of the children we are helping, thank you. While we will not see the joy on their faces, their parents sure will. None of that is possible without you. Thank you for your generosity. It’s truly inspiring to see our little parish step up in such a big way. Your kindness will certainly help many families see that despite difficult times, the Lord is near!

Finally, don’t forget to check the parish website link to sign up for Christmas Masses. Have a blessed week and stay safe!

God Bless,

Father Stowe

December 6, 2020

Weekly Collection..........................$4,350.00
Building Collection..........................$2,015.00

We appreciate your mailing of budgets to the rectory during this time
Please remember Saint Joseph Church in your Will & Estate

MEMORIAL DONATIONS

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION continues every Friday from 7:30am-12:30pm. We are in need of more people who are willing to give one hour of their time to our Lord. Please call the rectory if you are able to help.

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