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January 23 The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Mass and Confessions

Church open for Adoration:

Wednesday 3:00 pm-7:30 pm Sunday 3:00 pm-4:45 pm

Confession: Sunday 3:00 pm-4:45 pm.

Church open for prayer: Monday-Friday 9am-12pm.

Mass Times for the third week of Ordinary Time:

Sunday, January 23: 9:00 am, 11:00 am, 5:00 pm

Wednesday, January 26: 9:30 am

Mass Intentions:

The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM: For the repose of the soul of Infant Arthur Rauch req. by Mary Poole

11:00 AM: For family intentions, and in thanksgiving req. by Theresa Okpala

5:00 PM: For the intentions of our parish family

Wednesday, January 26

9:30 AM: For the repose of the soul of Peyton Blanche Okoye

Friday, January 28

(**Prv.**) For the repose of the souls of Irene and Albert Horvath req. by Ron and Barb Horvath

Our Ministries:

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Our Weekly Offering:

January 16, 2022

Budget: \$5,096.00
Cash and Checks: \$5,049.00
of envelopes used: 59
Online Giving: \$1,160.00
TOTAL OFFERING: \$6,209.00

GOD BLESS YOU AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

Youth Group News!

Tuesdays from 6:30-8:30 pm is our new regular meeting time! We will meet Tuesday, January 25 to begin our dive into the persons of the Trinity!

Please contact me (info to the left under "Our Ministries") if you would like more information!

-God Bless! Kate Ramsay, Youth Minister

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

1st Eucharist: If you are a family **whose 2nd grader** is receiving First Sacrament Preparation at an attending Catholic School AND you would like your child to receive his/her first communion here at St. Joseph, now is the time to communicate that request. We welcome your child to this celebration, we just want to make sure we cover all the details you and your child will need in order to participate with our Religious Ed class here in our program. Contact Anna Nowaczewski if this applies to you, thanks!

Catholic Movie Night

"The Song of Bernadette" As we get ready for the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, one good way to get ourselves into the proper frame of mind is to watch "The Song of Bernadette". This film excels at depicting the sanctity of St. Bernadette Soubirous. It also won four Oscars in 1943 including best actress. Lisa and I are hosting the film at our home on Saturday February 5th. Please come at 6:00pm for some fellowship before the film. If you are planning to come or would like more details, please sign up at the entrances to the church or Call/text Michael Sapienza at (947) 517-3164.

Attention Chili Chefs!

Time to cook up your best batch and join your parish family for cold drinks and Hot Chili!

Sunday February 13th after 5pm Mass Sign up sheets are in Maria Hall! Prizes will be given for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place! Everyone gets to vote for their favorite!

Chef's and bakers are also desired for cornbread, brownies, and cupcakes! Volunteers for toppings and saltines and oyster crackers are also





From Fr. Pieter

Greetings! Pope Francis declared today "Word of God Sunday" because the Scriptures tell us the truth about Jesus.

What does this mean? First of all, **the Scriptures are true**. Listen to Luke's description of the gospel he was writing: he writes a "narrative of the events... just as those who were eyewitnesses from the beginning... have handed them down to us"—the gospels give eyewitness testimony written during the lifetime of the eyewitnesses. Luke was not writing a fairytale; indeed, he and the other apostles and gospel writers died testifying to the truth of what they saw. Luke wrote the truth about Jesus "in an orderly sequence", so that you may realize the certainty (asphaleia—sturdy like asphalt!) of the teachings you have received."

Secondly, the Scriptures tell the truth **about Jesus!** Do you want to know God? Do you want to see and hear God in the person of Jesus? All of the Bible is fulfilled in Christ, and all the Bible is "Inspired" (that is to say, God guides and protects the writing process; but also God "Breathes" the Spirit into you through the Scripture [*theopneustos*]!). Read the Bible; come to Mass a little early and read the Scriptures, asking God what he wishes you to hear this day.

For my part, I am listening to the "Bible in a Year Podcast." I know "Podcasts" might be foreign to you—but if you are within the "podcast-listening generation" (or if you can navigate a smartphone), please consider signing up for this podcast (you can start anytime—I promise it will give a life-changing encounter with God in his Word). Check it out at http://ascensionpress.com.

Please pray for me as I pray for you!

THE DEACON'S DIGEST

I will not be around the parish or serving on the altar for the next couple weeks. I am having surgery to replace my right knee on Friday January 21. I will be available on Facebook (DeaconStan), email (sckukla@comcast.net) and text (734-732-1364). I hope to be back 'in the saddle' soon! Thank you in advance for all your prayers. Peace, Blessings, & Joy, Deacon Stan

<u>Celebrate Marriage Event – February 12, 2022 — Ordinary People Called to</u> <u>Extraordinary Work</u>

<u>Registration is required</u>. Please contact Margie Sauter at 734-780-6591 or <u>margies@stjosephypsilanti.com</u> to register. Cost: Free will offering.

Attention Women of the parish!

Join with other women this Lent for a six-week spiritual journey group. We'll meet five to six times during Lent to discuss Searching for and Maintaining Peace by Fr. Jacques Phillipe. This is a short, concise book about how to find peace in any and all circumstances!

Once we have a list of who is interested, we'll determine the best time(s) to meet each week. The group will be offered more than one time per week, if needed. Margie Sauter, Faith Formation Team Member, will lead the groups.

Sign up at the entrances of St. Joseph or contact Margie Sauter at 734-780-6591 or margies@stjosephypsilanti.com.

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