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April 11 2021

2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." - Jn 20:28-29

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Mass Times:

Sat. 4:30 pm

Sun. 8:30 am, 11:00 am, 5:00 pm

Daily Mass: *Mon.– Fri. 8:00 am, Sat 9:00 am*

Latin Mass: *- Last Sunday of the month at 2:00 pm*

Office Hours: *Mon-Fri 9:30 am to 4:30 pm*

Website: *stjosephmacon.wordpress.com*

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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

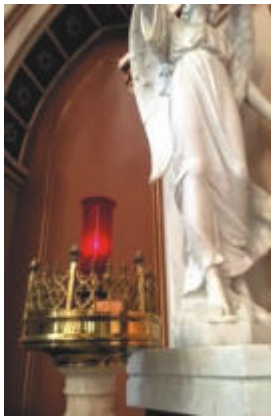
Happy Easter to you all! This weekend we have the blessing of celebrating Divine Mercy Sunday, which always falls on the Sunday after Easter. Last Sunday we celebrated the singular moment in history when Christ rose from the dead. Today we celebrate the means by which we are able to share forever in His Resurrection: His Divine Mercy. Mercy made Him become incarnate, take up His Cross, die for us, so that He could rise again, and lead us into eternal glory. In mercy, He is always at our side and in our hearts and always opening His Heart to receive us back whenever we sin.

Even after Saint Thomas doubts the Resurrection at the report of the other disciples, Jesus comes to him and invites him to touch His wounds, so that Thomas may be healed. The same invitation is open to us, though we may not see and feel what Thomas did, and our sins may differ. We are always invited to come to Confession, however, and hear Christ tell us through His priests that our sins are forgiven. We may not touch Jesus as Thomas did, but make no mistake, Jesus will touch *us* in this great sacrament, so that we can be healed and fully reunited to Him.

Lent may be the season most strongly affiliated with the Sacrament of Reconciliation, but really, this sacrament is *never* out of season. If it has been a while since having gone to Confession, and there are feelings of hesitancy, *now* is the perfect time to come and experience one of the greatest gifts from the Divine Mercy of our Savior. Please always feel free to come to one of our regularly scheduled Confession Times at our parish or to make an appointment with a priest at any time.

Peace and God bless,

---Father Wright



Sanctuary Candle

In Memory of :

Trippi Williams

***Pastor*:** Very Rev. J. Scott Winchel
Parochial Vicar: Rev. John Wright
Permanent Deacon: Donald Coates
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Religious Education: Mollie Germann
Music Director/Organist: Nelda Chapman
Youth Director: Patrick Tunnell
Finance: Janet Williams, Patti Stinson
Receptionist/Secretary: Cindy Zilaro
Nursery Coordinator: Dianne Carter
Bulletin: Jim Zilaro
Maintenance: David Rubbo, Marie Ball
Pastoral Council President: Matt McKenna

Important Information and Resources

Sacrament of Baptism:
Please contact our office for information and to register.

Confessions:
Mon thru Fri: 7:30 am to 7:50 am
Sat: 3:15 pm to 4:15 pm

Anointing of the Sick:
After Saturday morning Mass and by request

Sacrament of Matrimony:
Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance. Participation in a marriage preparation program is required. Please call parish office for more information. Do not set a date prior to speaking to the priest or deacon.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA):
Interested in becoming Catholic, contact Fr. Winchel at church@st-joseph.cc.

Religious Education:
Sunday 9:45 am - 10:45 am, Mid-August - May.

Bookstore/Gift Shop:
Tues - Sat: 2:30 - 4:30 pm & following each weekend Mass.

Phone Numbers:
Saint Joseph Bookstore - 478-743-9224
Saint Joseph School - 478-742-0636
Mount de Sales Academy - 478-751-3240
Family Advancement Ministries - 478-745-7165
Maximilian Kolbe Center For Life - 478-257-4425
Daybreak - 478-216-9119
Sexual Abuse of Minors and Diocesan Policy - 1-888-357-5330

Weekly Schedule:

SUNDAY, April 11, 2021 ***Sunday of Divine Mercy***

Acts 4:32 -35; 1 John 5:1-6; John 20:19-31

8:30AM: For The People
9:45AM: PREP
11:00AM: Patricia Healy Dorsey †
1:00PM: 8th Grade Confirmation Class (SH)
3:00PM: Divine Mercy Chaplet (CH)
5:00PM: Joseph John Miles †

MONDAY, April 12, 2021

Acts 4:23-31; John 3:1-8

8:00AM: Lawrence Neuner †
7:00PM: Pastoral Council Mtg. (REC)

TUESDAY, April 13, 2021 ***St. Martin I, Pope and Martyr***

Acts 4:32-37; John 3:7b-15

8:00AM: Catherine Genone †
6:00PM: Confirmation Rehearsal (CH)
6:30PM: RCIA (SH)

WEDNESDAY, April 14, 2021

Acts 5:17-26; John 15:16, 19

8:00AM: Tony Panzica †
8:30AM: Adoration (CH)
6:00PM: Confirmation (CH)

THURSDAY, April 15, 2021

Acts 5:27-33; John 3:31-36

8:00AM: Carolyn Raines
10:00AM: SJS Mass - Fr. Eric Filmer

FRIDAY, April 16, 2021

Acts 5:34-42; John 6:1-15

8:00AM: Brooks Coates †

SATURDAY, April 17, 2021

Acts 6:1-7; John 6:16-21

9:00AM: Len Lizek †
3:15PM: Confession (CH)
4:30PM: Mary Alice Bruce †

SUNDAY, April 18, 2021 ***Third Sunday of Easter***

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; 1 John 2:1-5a; Luke 24:35-48

8:30AM: John and Margaret Boesen †
9:45AM: PREP
11:00AM: Peter Anna Tran †
1:00PM: 8th Grade Confirmation Class (SH)
5:00PM: For the People

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CAFÉ: School Cafeteria
CH: Church
CTR: Center
SJS: St. Joseph School
FAM: FAM Orange St.
GYM: School Gym
KCH: Knights of Columbus Hall
KOLBE: Kolbe Center
LOFT: Choir Loft
MDS: Mount de Sales
RR: Resource Room
REC: Rectory
UR: Upper Room
SH: Social Hall

Activities Here and Around St. Joseph's

Steadfast In Faith

Annual Catholic Appeal Prayer:

O Mary, you always brighten our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who, at the Cross, took part in Jesus' pain while remaining Steadfast In Faith. O loving Mother, you know what we need, and we are confident you will provide for us as at Cana in Galilee. Intercede for us with your Son Jesus, the Divine Physician, for those who have fallen ill, for those who are vulnerable, and for those who have died. Intercede also for those charged with protecting the health and safety of others and for those who are tending to the sick and seeking a cure. Help us, O Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who took upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows, so as to lead us, through the Cross, to the glory of the Resurrection. Amen.

Fiscal Riddles

Q. Who was the greatest financier in the Bible?

A. Noah. He was floating his stock while everyone else was in liquidation.

Q. Who was the greatest female financier in the Bible?

A. Pharaoh's daughter. She went down to the bank of the Nile and drew out a little prophet.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament to St. Joseph is every Wednesday following the 8AM Mass until the 5PM Novena to Mary in the church sanctuary. Anyone wishing to commit for a specific time may sign up at the side entrance table. Otherwise, please take advantage of this holy time with our Lord when you are able.

Eye Has Not Seen

They say seeing is believing. But if you've ever ordered a pair of pants online, you know that's not always the case. Whatever the photos promise us, what looked like a perfectly nice shade of navy blue on our computer screens comes in the mail as an unusual shade of blue green that only appears in the giant box of Crayola crayons.

The Apostle Thomas, who couldn't bring himself to accept that Jesus had risen from the dead without seeing him, is such an utterly relatable figure in the Gospels. Thomas is still reeling from a loss — not only of his good friend but his Lord, who was taken prisoner and crucified before his eyes. Thomas is guarding himself. He's not believing the hype. He's going to be the only judge of what is real and what is fiction.

Would any of us be any different? We've all had those thoughts. Can we believe it all — Jesus, salvation history, the Eucharist — when we haven't seen it with our own two eyes?

That's when we need to remember that those two eyes were absolutely positive they had ordered a pair of navy blue pants.

It's easy for us to sit back stroking our chins in judgment at Thomas, "you didn't believe the testimony of your friends!" But do we accept the testimony of our friends? The saints, the popes, the Church fathers themselves?

Sometimes the things that are most worthy of believing can't be seen with the naked eye.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

St. Joseph's Catholic School

SJS Accepting Enrollment Applications for 2021-22

Come discover what makes Catholic schools so successful! St. Joseph's Catholic School is accepting applications for the 2021-2022 school year for prospective students. SJS offers a Catholic education to children of all faiths in grades 2K through sixth grade. There is limited availability in certain grades. We are a community of teachers, staff, and parents who believe in developing the spirit and the intellect of our students. With our philosophy of educating the "whole" child, our students learn courtesy, respect, and responsibility in addition to academics. Your child will be in an environment that is both nurturing and structured, and where academic achievements are valued and expected! Through the integration of faith, family, culture and education, St. Joseph's Catholic School prepares our students to be productive members of the Church and society.

If you would like to see us in action, we offer one-on-one school day tours upon request. Please contact our Director of Admissions, Debra Harrison, at debra.harrison@sjsmacon.org or 742.0636. For more information about St. Joseph's Catholic School, please visit www.sjsmacon.org or check out our Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/STJOSEPHMACON/

Around the Deanery and the Diocese

Family Religious Education Notes for Upcoming Sacraments

(Please wear church attire and masks to each event)

FIRST RECONCILIATION - Saturday, April 10th, at 2:00 pm in the church.

CONFIRMATION REHEARSAL - Tuesday, April 13th, at 5:50 in the church. *Sponsors or their proxies should attend as well as one parent/guardian (unless the parent/guardian is already serving as the proxy Sponsor).*

CONFIRMATION MASS with Bishop Parkes - Wednesday, April 14th, at 6:00 pm. *Students should meet in the Social Hall at 5:10 so eat an early dinner! Sponsors should arrive by 5:30. Dress Code Reminders (see original handout): Boys--white button-up shirt, long red tie, dress pants, belt, and church shoes (non-athletic). Girls--modest white dress with a cardigan or cover-up if it is sleeveless. White or other appropriately formal/tasteful masks requested for Confirmandi and Sponsors (if in doubt, don't). Students and their Sponsors will be processing up the aisle side-by-side at the beginning of the Mass, so, ladies, make sure your shoes can handle a long walk on a marble floor This is a large class and* social distancing is still in effect so we appreciate your understanding that attendees must be immediate family (hurray that we can meet all at once this year!).

FIRST COMMUNION REHEARSAL - Saturday, May 1st, at 10:00 am in the church.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASS - Sunday, May 2nd, at 2:00 pm. *Children should meet in the Social Hall at 1:20. The children should wear white or "church-appropriate" masks. Boys' Dress Code: white shirt, long tie, dark pants, belt, church shoes, and NO jacket, please. Mrs. Germann can help with boys' dress shoes and ties if needed. Girls' Dress Code: white dress; white veil optional--flowers or short veil fine, white stocking/socks and white shoes (no toeless, backless, or heeled shoes, please). Social distancing is still in effect so we appreciate your understanding about limiting attendees to immediate family.*

Camp Cavalier

Camp Cavalier: Summer Camps at MDS
June 1 - July 30

Mount de Sales Academy's Camp Cavalier has something for everyone! The Academy offers camp programs including the ever-popular summer S.P.L.A.S.H. camp with academic classes and sports opportunities plus video game design camp, Otis Redding Foundation's Camp DREAM, and a variety of team sports camps. To learn more about our offerings and to register, visit www.mtdesales.link/camps.

The bulletin deadline is 10 days prior to the date you need your article to appear. All items received after the deadline will go into the next bulletin. Submissions should be emailed to: jim@st-joseph.cc.

The Sick

David Burkovich
Madelyn Oberg
Ernest Barbato, Jr.
Michael Leach

Please say a prayer for all the following:

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US Marine Corps
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Lt. Jeremiah Harding

US Army Reserves
Sgt. Alonza Richardson
SSG. Kenneth Aguiar

The Faithful Departed

Msgr. John Kenneally

Expectant Mothers & Their Babies

Katlyn LaHood
Kelci Johnson

Register/Address Change

If you are new to our parish and would like to register with us or have had a change in address, please complete the form below and drop it in the offering basket at Mass or mail to the address on the form. Upon receipt, a parish registration form will be mailed to you. **You can also register online at: stjosephmacon.wordpress.com Registration form is on the homepage.**

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Our Seminarians

Deacon Nate Swann, Lewis King

Welcome to our New Members

Newly Baptized

Marriages

Book of Acts Trivia

1. What member of the council judging the apostles stated, "...let them alone, for if this plan or this undertaking is of man, it will fail; but if it is of God, you will not be able to overthrow them." (Acts 5:38-39)? Joseph of Arimathea, Caiaphas, Gamalie , Annas.
2. What controversy at the beginning of the sixth chapter caused men to be specially chosen to care for the widows? The Hebrews' widows were neglected, The disciples were neglecting their preaching duties, Money was missing from the fund, The Hellenists' widows were neglected.
3. How did Stephen die at the end of the seventh chapter of Acts? Crucifixion, Stoning, Drowning, By the sword.
4. Who offered to pay Peter and John for the gift of giving others the Holy Spirit in the eighth chapter? Simon, Candace, Ananias, Priscilla.
5. Still in the eighth chapter, who explained a passage from Isaiah to an Ethiopian eunuch? Philip, Peter, John, James.

Answers on page 7.

Offertory for 3/28/ - 4/4/2021

	3/28	4/4
Collected:	$18,985	$54,836
Same time last year:	$13,395	$22,957

Weekly average budgeted: $23,165

Interested in how you can leave a donation to St. Joseph's in your will? Contact us at the parish office.

2021 Annual Catholic Appeal

Steadfast In Faith

Progress Report as of April 1th, 2021
Parish Goal: $113,605
Total Given: $77,871

Online Giving

Online Giving allows us to make contributions to our church without writing checks or worrying about cash donations. If you would like to give online go to our St. Joseph online giving website https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/697 to sign up or give us a call at our parish office: 478-745-1631.

Thank you for your generosity and continued support of St. Joseph Catholic Church!

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Trivia Answers

Answers for this week: 1. Gamalie. 2. The Hellenists' widows were neglected. 3. Stoning. 4. Simon. 5. Philip.

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Child Abuse and Awareness

Please go to the website below to view topics on Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention.
https://diosav.org/cyp/coordinator-tools/national-child-abuse-awareness-month

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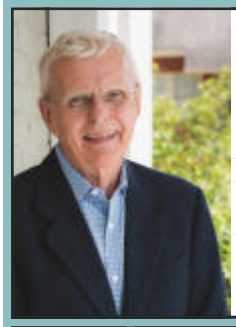

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