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Welcome! We extend our hearts and hands to all who celebrate with us at St. Josephs. We would like to invite any guest to fill out the form below, if interested in becoming a registered member of this Parish.

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☐ New Parishioners, please send a Parish Registration Form ☐ We've Moved, here is our new information

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 19

8:00 a.m. Special Intention
4:00 p.m. Confessions
4:35 p.m. Rosary
5:00 p.m. Gerald Loshe +

Sunday, September 20

- Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time -

7:10 a.m. Rosary
7:30 a.m. Parish Family
9:40 a.m. Rosary
10:00 a.m. Rose Mary Helm
12:10 p.m. Rosary
12:30 p.m. Special Intention

Monday, September 21

No Morning Mass

Tuesday, September 22

7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m. Adoration
8:00 a.m. Waller Booth +
8:30 a.m. Confession

Wednesday, September 23

6:00-7:00 p.m. Adoration
6:00-6:45 p.m. Confession
7:00 p.m. Julian Cuellar +

Thursday, September 24

8:00 a.m. Frances Braun +

Friday, September 25

8:30 a.m. Gertie Wyss +

Saturday, September 26

8:00 a.m. Special Intention
4:00 p.m. Confessions
4:35 p.m. Rosary
5:00 p.m. Gloria Gordon +

Sunday, September 27

- Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time -

7:10 a.m. Rosary
7:30 a.m. Annette Volk & Luella Geisel
9:40 a.m. Rosary
10:00 a.m. Parish Family
12:10 p.m. Rosary
12:30 p.m. Special Intention

"Pray to be ever ready for God's will even when it takes you by surprise."

Saint Mary MacKillop

MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon., Sept. 21 - Twenty-Fifth Week in Ordinary Time - St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist - Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/ Mt 9:9-13

Tues., Sept. 22 - Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/ Lk 8:19-21

Wed., Sept. 23 - St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest - Prv 30:5-9/ Lk 9:1-6

Thurs., Sept. 24 - Eccl 1:2-11/ Lk 9:7-9

Fri., Sept. 25 - Eccl 3:1-11/ Lk 9:18-22

Sat., Sept. 26 - Sts. Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs - Eccl 11:9—12:8/ Lk 9:43b-45

Sun., Sept. 27 - Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Ez 18:25-28/ Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/ Mt 21:28-32

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — September 20, 2020

This weekend (Sept. 19th/20th), the Church celebrates the **25th Sunday in Ordinary Time**. Having completed the fourth discourse, we are now being prepared to receive the fifth and final discourse from St. Matthew's Gospel: **The Discourse on the End Times**. Though it is preparing us for the fifth discourse, our Gospel from today (*Matthew 20:1-16*) does offer us a beautiful insight over our theme of **reconciliation** from the past two weekends: It's never too late.

Just as in the parable of the workers in the vineyard, the Lord calls out to us at every stage of our life. It is never too late to respond. It is never too late to turn to the Lord. It is never too late to reconcile ourselves to God if we are but willing to ask His forgiveness. It is never too late to be reconciled with God. Turn to Him today.

What Does It Mean To Be Catholic?

Interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith? **Join us on Thursday, October 1st, at 6:00 PM for an informal and informational gathering about our upcoming Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) Sessions.** At this gathering, we will look at a brief overview of Church History and discuss what the RCIA Process looks like for all those who are interested.

Over the coming months, our RCIA sessions will provide us with an overview of the Catholic Faith. We will first look at the Creed, then the Commandments, and, finally, the Sacraments and Prayer. Our look at these topics will help to explain Catholic teaching and its basis, found through in the Sacred Scriptures.

Our RCIA sessions are open to all interested individuals: for those who are Catholic and wish to deepen their knowledge about the Church, for those who are not Catholic but wish to learn what it means to be Catholic, and for those who wish to prepare for full initiation into the Church at the Easter Vigil. **If you know of anyone interested in learning more about the Catholic Church, please consider personally inviting them to join us during these sessions (and consider journeying along with them!).**

Technology Updates: Digital Bulletin Board and Live-Streaming System

Thanks to the generosity of a parishioner, we have mounted a **"digital bulletin board"** in the narthex. Utilizing a wall-mounted television and a DVD Player, this system allows us to display up-to-date information regarding upcoming parish events. It will also be used to play picture slideshows, often shown during funeral visitations held in the narthex prior to the Mass of Christian Burial for our beloved deceased.

This past Friday, local **Stylus Technologies** began the installation of our new **live-streaming system** for the church. This system will utilize a high-definition camera placed near the choir loft, providing a full view of the church. It has the ability to swivel and zoom, allowing a wide-range of different camera angles to accommodate our various liturgies (*Mass, Stations of the Cross, etc...*). The system will be tied into the church sound system, providing the best quality sound for those joining us at home.

This upgrade from our current system will improve the experience of watching our liturgies for those parishioners who cannot yet join us in person at church. It will also become an invaluable tool that can be used to live-stream other liturgies, including funerals and weddings, to help include those family members who may not be able to travel for major events. We hope for the installation to be completed later this week. Thank you for your financial support of this project.

Reminder: Updated Friday Daily Mass Time

As a reminder, this week will mark a change in our daily Mass times: Starting this Friday (Sept. 25th), our **Friday daily Mass will now be offered at 8:30 AM.** All other daily Mass times remain the same (*Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday at 8:00 AM, Wednesday at 7:00 PM*).

In addition to our weekend liturgies, I would encourage you to consider attending at least one additional weekday Mass each week. No human words could adequately describe the graces available for assisting at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Remember, time with the Lord is never wasted.

Faithfully in Christ, Fr. David

"The Mass is the spiritual food that sustains me, without which I could not get through one single hour in my life." St. Teresa of Calcutta



Sharon Miller, Becky Biberstein, Betty Meyer, David Carr, Ronnie & Bonnie Burns, Michael Green, Rick Cotterman, Frances Carr, Tom Richhart, Carol Leitner, Pat Pfeifer, Troy Cook, Cheryl Jackson, Sandy Arnold, Lynn Rickord, Jimmy Robbins, Jean Steele, Charlotte Sawyers, Andrea Holte, Tom Williams, James Mestamaker, Jen Coyne and Terry Burns.

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Pray Daily and Love Always!

PARISH CALENDAR

- Mon., Sept. 21 - No Morning Mass
- Tues., Sept. 22 - Adoration 7:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m.
- Wed., Sept. 23 - Adoration 6:00-7:00 p.m. / Confessions 6:00-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Thurs., Sept. 24 - Mass 8:00 a.m.
- **Fri., Sept. 25 - Mass 8:30 a.m.**
- Sat., Sept. 26 - Mass 8:00 a.m.
- Sat., Sept. 26 - Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., Sept. 27 - Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m. / 12:30 p.m.
- Sun., Sept. 27 - Religious Education Classes - 8:30-9:45 a.m.
- Mon., Sept. 28 - No Morning Mass
- Tues., Sept. 29 - Adoration 7:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m.
- Wed., Sept. 30 - Adoration 6:00-7:00 p.m. / Confessions 6:00-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Thurs., Oct. 1 - Mass 8:00 a.m.
- Fri., Oct. 2 - Mass 8:30 a.m. / Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. / Low Mass (Latin Mass) at 6:00 p.m.
- Sat., Sept. Oct. 3 - Mass 8:00 a.m.
- Sat., Oct. 3 - Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., Oct. 4 - Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m. / 12:30 p.m.
- Sun., Oct. 4 - Religious Education Classes - 8:30-9:45 a.m.

First Friday Mass and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday, October 2 - Mass at 8:30 a.m.

Adoration 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Low Mass (Latin) at 6:00 p.m.

RCIA INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?
Talk with Fr. David or call the parish office!

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

St. Joseph Parish Finance Report Collections September 12/13 weekend

Adult Envelopes- \$2,160.00
Child Envelopes- \$3.00
Loose- \$126.00
Repair/Rainy Day Fund- \$500.00
Religious Ed. Fund- \$0
Votive Candles- \$219.00
Total- \$3,008.00

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Our weekly budget is \$5,116.40
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God Bless!



Hope has two beautiful daughters; their names are **Anger and Courage**. Anger at the way things are, and Courage to see that they do not remain as they are.

— Saint Augustine

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n - is it necessary?
k - is it kind?

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