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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

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New Parishioners, please send a Parish Registration Form

[] We've Moved, here is our new information

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 27

8:00 a.m. Special Intention

4:00-4:45 p.m. Confessions

4:35 p.m. Rosary

5:00 p.m. Dorothy Huseman +

Sunday, February 28

- Second Sunday of Lent -

7:10 a.m. Rosary

7:30 a.m. Parish Family

9:40 a.m. Rosary

10:00 a.m. Mary Ann & Terry Flowers +

12:05 p.m. Rosary

12:30 p.m. Special Intention

Monday, March 1

No Morning Mass

Tuesday, March 2

7:00-8:00 a.m. Adoration

8:00 a.m. John Whitman + 8:30-9:00 a.m. Confessions

Wednesday, March 3

6:00-7:00 p.m. Adoration

6:00-6:45 p.m. Confessions

7:00 p.m. Emmanuel Thach +

Thursday, March 4

8:00 a.m. Mildred Huss +

Friday, March 5

8:30 a.m. Jim Cole +

9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Adoration

5:00-5:45 p.m. Confession

6:00 p.m. Low Mass (Latin Mass)

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 6

8:00 a.m. Special Intention

4:00-4:45 p.m. Confessions

4:35 p.m. Rosary

5:00 p.m. Ruth Helmer +

Sunday, March 7

- Third Sunday of Lent -

7:10 a.m. Rosary

7:30 a.m. Parish Family

9:40 a.m. Rosary

10:00 a.m. Rose Marie & Robert Bates +

12:05 p.m. Rosary

12:30 p.m. Special Intention

MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon., Mar. 1 - Second Week of Lent - Dn 9:4b-10/ Lk 6:36-38

Tues., Mar. 2 - Is 1:10,16-20/ Mt 23:1-12

Wed., Mar. 3 - St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin - Jer 18:18-20/ Mt 20:17-28

Thurs., Mar. 4 - St. Casimir - Jer 17:5-10/ Lk 16:19-31

Fri., Mar. 5 - Gn 37:3-4,12-13a,17b-28a/ Mt 21:33-43,45-46

21.33-43,43-40

Sat., Mar. 6 - Mt 7:14-15,18-20/ Lk 15:1-3,11-

Sun., Mar. 7 - Third Sunday of Lent – Ex 20:1-17/1 Cor 1:22-25/ Jn 2:13-25

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT - FEBRUARY 28, 2021

As we enter into the Second Sunday of Lent (February 27th/28th), we join our Blessed Lord as He ascends Mount Tabor with Peter, James, and John. And, upon this holy mountain, these three Apostles witness the glory of God as Jesus is transfigured before them (*Mark 9:2-10*). In this moment, Jesus briefly reveals His divine glory and confirms the confession made by Peter short moments before (*Mark 8:27-30*).

This overwhelming experience of God's manifest glory serves to encourage these Apostles for the difficult journey that lies ahead. Immediately following Peter's confession, Jesus offers the first prediction of His coming Passion and states that His followers would also have to carry His cross (Mark 8:31-33). From hearing these challenging words to seeing Jesus transfigured, the Apostles begin to understand that "it is necessary for us to undergo many hardships to enter the kingdom of God" (Acts 14:22).

And, just as quickly as they climbed Mount Tabor, so they descended from the heights. The next mountain that they shall approach is Mount Calvary, upon which our Blessed Lord will once again ascend and be lifted up in glory. This next time, however, His glory will not be shown in the transfiguration, but will be revealed upon the Cross. For it is on that very same Cross on which hung the salvation of the world.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING AND UPDATES

Last weekend, we offered a refresher session for 19 of our altar servers. This weekend, we are offering a training session for all those in 4th-12th Grade who are interested in becoming altar servers. Beginning this weekend, we will see a few updates to our altar server practices. Most notably, we will once again begin our procession from the back of the Church, two servers will be assisting throughout Mass, and our servers will resume setting the altar at the Offertory. A special "Thank You!" to Dan Geimer for leading our refresher and training sessions and for all of our altar servers for assisting us in praying the Mass.

GENERAL PARISH UPDATES

This week, we celebrate the first Friday (March 5th) of the month. As has become our parish custom, we will offer Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 9:00 a.m. (following the morning 8:30 a.m. Mass) until 6:00 p.m., with the Litany of the Eucharist and benediction beginning at 5:45 p.m. At 6:00 p.m., we will offer our monthly First Friday Mass according the Extraordinary Form, followed by Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m. Due to our additional First Friday Mass, Confessions this Friday will be heard from 5:00 p.m. to 5:45 p.m.

A special "Thank You!" to all those who are supporting the **St. Joseph Women's Group** Raffle. As a reminder, the proceeds will be used to clean and refurbish our baptismal font. Through baptism, we are reborn into new life in Jesus Christ. How fitting it is then that our **St. Joseph Women's Group**, under the protection of *Our Lady of Good Counsel, the Mother of God*, is leading the charge to ensure the upkeep of the baptismal font.

This coming week, we will begin the first round of interviews for our *Director of Sacred Music and Liturgy* position. We've received various applicants both locally and nationally. Please continue to keep our search process in your prayers this Lenten season.

Faithfully in Christ, Fr. David



Sharon Miller, Becky Biberstein, Bonnie Burns, Michael Green, Rick Cotterman, Frances Carr, Tom Richhart, Carol Leitner, Pat Pfeifer, Troy Cook, Cheryl Jackson, Sandy Arnold, Jimmy Robbins, Jean Steele, Andrea Holte, Tom Williams, Jen Coyne, John Houlihan, Tom Courtney, Nora LaVine and Pete Geels.



Friday, March 12 * 4:00-7:00 p.m.

Tickets available in the parish office or after Masses
February 27/28 & March 6/7 Weekends

Pray Daily and Love Always!

PARISH CALENDAR

- Sat., Feb. 27 Mass 8:00 a.m.
- Sat., Feb. 27 Confession 4:00-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., Feb. 28 Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m. / 12:30 p.m.
- Sun., Feb. 28 Religious Education Class 8:30-9:45 a.m.
- Tues., Mar. 2 Adoration 7-8:00 a.m. / Confession 8:30-9:00 a.m.
- Tues., Mar. 2 Knights of Columbus meeting via Zoom
- Wed., Mar. 3 Adoration 6-7:00 p.m. / Confession 6-6:45 p.m.
- Fri., Mar. 5 Adoration 9:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m. / Confession 5-5:45 p.m. / Low (Latin) Mass 6:00 p.m. / Stations of the Cross 7:00 p.m.
- Sat., Mar. 6 Mass 8:00 a.m.
- Sat., Mar. 6 Confession 4:00-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., Mar. 7 Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m. / 12:30 p.m.
- Sun., Mar. 7 Religious Education Class 8:30-9:45 a.m.
 7th & 8th Grade leading the Stations of the Cross 8:40 a.m. in Church.
- Tues., Mar. 9 Adoration 7-8:00 a.m. / Confession 8:30-9:00
- Tues., Mar. 9 The Light is ON for You! Confession 6-8:00 p.m.
- Tues., Mar. 9 St. Joseph Women's Group meeting 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Social Hall Raffle drawing will be held; need not be present to win. Winners will be notified.
- Wed., Mar. 10 Adoration 6-7:00 p.m. / Confession 6-6:45 p.m.
- Fri., Mar. 12 K of C Drive Thru Fish Fry 4:00-7:00 p.m.
- Fri., Mar. 12 Confessions 6-6:45 p.m. / Stations of the Cross 7:00 p.m.
- Sat., Mar. 13 Mass 8:00 a.m.
- Sat., Mar. 13 Confession 4:00-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., Mar. 14 Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m. / 12:30 p.m.
- Sun., Mar. 14 Religious Education Class 8:30-9:45 a.m.
- Fri., Mar. 19 St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary -Confessions 5-5:45 p.m. / Stations of the Cross 6:00 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.



The Light is ON for You. Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation

This Lent, every Catholic parish in the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend will have Confessions available on **Tuesday**, **March 9**, **from 6:00-8:00 p.m.** If you have been reluctant to come to the Sacrament, have been away for some time, or just find it difficult to get to a Saturday afternoon Confession time, this is a wonderful opportunity to reconnect with Christ and His Church.

DISCUSSION FORUM - Topic to be Determined

Fr. David will hold a Discussion Forum, Sunday March 14, 8:30-9:30 in the Parish Social Hall and on Wednesday, March 17 following 7:00 p.m. Mass, approximately 7:45 p.m., also in the Parish Social Hall.



St. Joseph Parish Finance Report February 20/21

Adult Envelopes- \$3,632.00 Child Envelopes- \$3.00 Loose- \$120.00 Repair/Rainy Day Fund-\$347.79 Religious Ed. Fund- \$126.00 Gym Rental- \$250.00

Total- \$4,478.79

Our weekly budget is \$5,116.40

We are \$342.90 *behind* our budget for the month of February.

St. Vincent de Paul Fund- \$554.00

Thank you for your gifts to St. Joseph's!

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING

The Knights of Columbus will hold their monthly meeting via Zoom Tuesday, March 2nd. The call will be started at 6:40 p.m. for recitation of the Holy Rosary followed by the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Watch your Inbox for a link from Jeff Miller a day or so ahead of the meeting.

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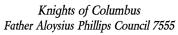
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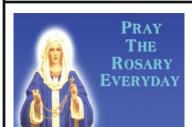
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i - is it inspiring?

n - is it necessary?

k - is it kind?





Spread love

everywhere you go. Let no one ever come to vou without leaving

happier.

-St. Mother Teresa

God loves each of us as if there were only one of us. Saint Augustine



