#### NICENE CREED - A Roadmap of the Faith I believe in one God, FORMULATED the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, at the 1st Council of of all things visible and invisible. Niceae in 325 AD I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, as the true expression of the Faith at the born of the Father before all ages. 2nd Council of God from God, Light from Light, Constantinople true God from true God, Trinitarian - Father, Son, and Holy Spirit in 381 AD begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; Through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation INCARNATION he came down from heaven, God assumed and by the Holy Spirit Human Nature was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. PASCHAL MYSTERY For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, The Passion, Death, he suffered death and was buried, and Resurrection of and rose again on the third day Jesus Christ in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. ESCHATOLOGY He will come again in glory The last things: to judge the living and the dead Death, Judgment, and his kingdom will have no end. Heaven and Hell I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, MARKS OF THE CHURCH who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen. Office #: (260) 824-1380 | Emergency #: (260) 296-0511 | www.StJosephChurchBluffton.org Pastor: Fr. David Violi | Administrative Assistant/DRE: Michelle Paxton | Director of Sacred Music: Teresa Smith Name: Address: State: Zip: e-mail address: [] New Parishioners, please send a Parish Registration Form [] We've Moved, here is our new information

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#### MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 8

8:00 a.m. Special Intention

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

4:35 p.m. Rosary

5:00 p.m. Fr. Bernard Evanofski

Sunday, January 9

- Baptism of the Lord -

7:10 a.m. Rosary

7:30 a.m. Parish Family

9:40 a.m. Rosary

10:00 a.m. Raymond 'Bud' Helm +

Monday, January 10

No Public Mass

Tuesday, January 11

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

8:00 a.m. Dorothy Brown +

8:30 a.m. Confessions

Wednesday, January 12

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

6:00-6:45 p.m. Confessions 7:00 p.m. Gerald Beckman +

Thursday, January 13

8:00 a.m. Al Porrata

Friday, January 14

8:30 a.m. Greg Mayer +

Saturday, January 15

8:00 a.m. Special Intention

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

4:35 p.m. Rosary

5:00 p.m. Andrea Grover +

Sunday, January 16

- Second Sunday in Ordinary Time -

7:10 a.m. Rosary

7:30 a.m. Kelly Burns +

9:40 a.m. Rosary

10:00 a.m. Parish Family



MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK Monday, January 10 - First Week in Ordinary Time - 1 Sm 1:1-8/ Mk 1:14-20 Tuesday, January 11 - 1 Sm 1:9-20/ Mk 1:21-

**Wednesday, January 12 -** 1 Sm 3:1-10,19-20/

Mk 1:29-39 Thursday, January 13 - St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church - 1 Sm 4:1-11/ Mk 1:40-

Friday, January 14 - 1 Sm 8:4-7,10-22a/ Mk

**Saturday, January 15 -** 1 Sm 9:1-4,17-19; 10:1/ Mk 2:13-17

**Sunday, January 16 - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time -** Is 62:1-5/1 Cor 12:4-11/ Jn 2:1-11

#### BAPTISM OF THE LORD – JANUARY 9, 2022

This weekend (January 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup>), the Church celebrates the **Solemnity of the Baptism of the Lord**. This celebration brings an end to our **Christmas season**, though there will be a brief resurgence of Christmas on the **Feast of the Presentation**, or **Candlemas**, on February 2<sup>nd</sup>. As such, though our Nativity scene will be taken down, many of our beautiful Christmas lights and decorations will remain in the Church for the remainder of the month. May they serve as a reminder that the joy of the Incarnation is to always remain evident in our lives.

#### **DID YOU KNOW? CATHOLICS ARE CHRISTIANS**

This week begins our **Did You Know? Campaign**. Our inaugural topic is simple and straightforward: **Catholics are Christians**. The term "Christian" is itself derived from the name of Christ. As recorded in the **Acts of the Apostles**, "it was in Antioch that the disciples were first called Christians" (Acts 11:26). A Christian is generally defined, in most basic terms, as one who has been baptized, recognizes Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior, and lives their life according to His teachings. This definition itself comes from our Lord's Great Commission (Matthew 28:16-20)

For a fuller fleshing-out of our Christian beliefs, we often turn to creeds. The Nicene Creed has served as the basic promulgation of the Christian Faith for nearly 1700 years. In the 4th Century, St. Cyril of Jerusalem describes the Creed as that which "was not made to accord with human opinions, but rather what was of the greatest importance was gathered from all the Scriptures, to present the one teaching of the faith in its entirety" (Catechetical Lecture 5.12).

In the basic definition of a Christian and in keeping to the Creed's full theological description of the Faith, we find the Catholic Church. As Catholics, we are baptized followers of Jesus Christ. We continue to proclaim and live out the one Faith which has been handed down from the very beginning, when Jesus Christ Himself founded the Catholic Church (Matthew 16:13-20). From this understanding, we can see that Catholics are Christian.

The term "Catholic" itself simply means "universal". It's first recorded use comes from St. Ignatius, Bishop of Antioch, as he wrote to the Church in Smyrna. As he being led to martyrdom in 107 AD, he reminded the Christians in Smyrna that the Church is to be united as one (universal): "Where the bishop is present, there is the Catholic Church" (Smyrnaeans 8:2). This use was found again in the words of St. Polycarp, Bishop of Smyrna and a direct disciple of St. John the Apostle, as he prayed for "the whole Catholic Church throughout the world" at his martyrdom in 155 AD. The term was already understood, even by the 2nd Century, to be an especially fitting name because the Catholic Church was for everyone everywhere who followed Jesus Christ.

#### **SYNOD ON SYNODALITY - UPDATES**

We have received our first update regarding the 2023 Bishops' Synod: For a Synodal Church - Communion, Participation, and Mission. This synod, which seeks input from dioceses and parishes world-wide, is looking at how the Holy Spirit continues to guide the Church today. To help with this process, our diocese has provided us with a variety of questions that we have been asked to prayerfully ponder over the coming weeks.

On Saturday, February 12th, an open forum, beginning at 8:00 AM with Mass and a Holy Hour, will be held at Sts. Peter & Paul in Huntington for all of the parishioners within our vicariate. This open forum will serve as an opportunity for all parishioners to provide input and insight in the lead up to the Synod. For those who cannot attend the open forum date, please forward me any comments or suggestions that you'd like to be included in the discussion.

Faithfully in Christ, Fr. David



Becky Biberstein, Michael Green, Rick Cotterman, Frances Carr, Tom Richhart, Carol Leitner, Pat Pfeifer, Troy Cook, Bobbie and Cheryl Jackson, Sandy Arnold, Andrea Holte, Jen Coyne, Bonnie Burns, John Houlihan, Nora LaVine, Kimberly Abney, Sydnee Bradburn, Doreen Ayres, Leanne Lee, Matt McFarren, Ryan Feeback, Dr. Doug Phillips, Gene Keys and Jean Johnson.

Sunday. January 16, 2022 7:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m.

Register to donate at redcrossblood.org

#### **BOLIVIAN MISSION**

The Bolivian Mission Program was established here at St. Joseph's in 1985! For 37 years we have consistently sponsored 55 students with scholarships to attend Santa Maria Mazzarello School in Bolivia. Because the parents are not always able to pay for their children to attend school, these scholarships help with the cost of tuition, school supplies and more. The school year in Bolivia begins in February and concludes in October. Sadly some of our sponsors have moved or passed away leaving several openings needing to be filled. If you are interested in sponsoring a child or children, or learning more about this program, please call the parish office at 824-1380.

Scholarships are \$90 (\$10/month for 9 months) per child, plus an optional Christmas donation. You may pay by the month, for the year or anywhere in between. Please make your check payable to St. Joseph Church with Bolivian Mission on the memo line of your check. Thank you to all who have consistently sponsored a child or children; letters will be sent out to you the first of February.

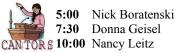
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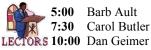
Abraham "Abe" Herr and McKenna Eltzroth We pray for those preparing for Holy Matrimony

#### PARISH CALENDAR

- Sat., January 8 Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., January 9 Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.
- Sun., January 9 Religious Education Class Resumes 8:30 a.m. -9:45 a.m.
- Tues., January 11 Adoration 7-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m.
- Tues., January 11 G.I.R.L.'s Night Out meeting 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Conference Room.
- Wed., January 12, 13 & 14 Office Closed/ Michelle out for hand/ wrist surgery. You may call the Parish office and leave a message or the Sacramental Emergency Line at 260-296-0511 in case of an emergency.
- Wed., January 12 Adoration 6-7 p.m. / Confessions 6:00-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Thurs., January 13 RCIA 6:30 p.m.
- Sat., January 15, 2022 Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., January 16 Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.
- Sun., January 16 Knights of Columbus Red Cross Blood Drive -7:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
- Sun., January 16 Religious Education Class 8:30 a.m. 9:45
- Tues., January 18 Adoration 7-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m.
- Wed., January 19 Adoration 6-7 p.m. / Confessions 6:00-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Thurs., January 20 RCIA 6:30 p.m.
- Sat., January 22 Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., January 23 Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.
- Sun., January 23 Religious Education Class 8:30 a.m. 9:45 a m

#### WEEKEND OF January 15/16, 2022







5:00 Volunteers

7:30 Doug/Janet Lehman 10:00 Dan/Larisa Sudhoff



5:00 Alex/Aubrey Mechling or Volunteers 7:30 Jacquelyn/Phillip Mayer/ Spencer McCorkle vers 10:00 Wyatt Girod, Charlie Andrews, Sam Smith

#### St. Joseph Parish Finance Report January 1/2 Weekend

Adult Envelopes- \$1,996.00 Child Envelopes- \$3.00 Loose- \$203.00 Repair/Rainy Day Fund-\$1,401.00 Religious Ed. Fund- \$10.00 Christmas Offering- \$10.00 Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God- \$831.00 Total- \$4,454.00

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#### Our weekly budget is \$5,116.40

We are \$662.40 behind budget for the month of January. Including the Online Giving from December of \$5,580.00, we ended \$17.117.38 ahead of our budget for the month of December.

St. Vincent de Paul Fund- \$515.00 St. Vincent de Paul Online Giving December- \$210.00

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

#### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FUND REPORT - December

Housing - \$500.00/ Utilities - \$459.06 Other Charitable Donation - \$150.00 **Total Charitable Donations - \$1,109.06** 

Thank you for helping us help others!

#### From Death To New Life

In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of LaLonnie Hacha, wife of John Hacha and mother of Holly Hacha, who passed away Thursday, December 30, 2021 and was laid to rest Tuesday, January 4, 2022. May God welcome Lonnie home, fill her with peace and bless those who will miss her.

#### From Death To New Life

In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Janet "Sue" Meyer, mother of Kathy (Mike Painter), who passed away Saturday, January 1, 2022 and was laid to rest Thursday, January 6, 2022. May God welcome Sue home, fill her with peace and bless those who will miss her.

#### From Death To New Life

In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Rosalie "June" Burns, mother of Jeff (Jennifer) Burns, who passed away Thursday, January 6, 2022 and will be laid to rest Monday, January 10, 2022. May God welcome June home, fill her with peace and bless those who will miss her.

Eternal Rest Grant unto them O Lord, and let Perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in Peace. Amen.



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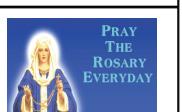
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