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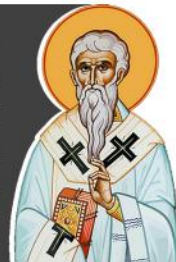
GOSPEL OF ST. JOHN - Chapter 6, Verses 53-56

“Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of man and drink his blood, you have no life in you; he who eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day. For **my flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed.** He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him.”

"Recognize in this bread what hung on the cross, and in this chalice what flowed from His side."
 St. Augustine, Bishop of Hippo - Sermon 3, 2 (AD 410)

ST. IGNATIUS, BISHOP OF ANTIOCH - LETTER TO THE SYMYRNAEANS (AD 110)

“Take note of those who hold heterodox opinions on the grace of Jesus Christ which has come to us, and see how contrary their opinions are to the mind of God... They abstain from the Eucharist and from prayer because they do not confess that **the Eucharist is the flesh of our Savior Jesus Christ**, flesh which suffered for our sins and which that Father, in his goodness, raised up again.”



ST. JUSTIN MARTYR - THE FIRST APOLOGY 66 (AD 151)

“For not as common bread nor common drink do we receive these; but since Jesus Christ our Savior was made incarnate by the word of God and had both flesh and blood for our salvation, so too, as we have been taught, **the food which has been made into the Eucharist by the Eucharistic prayer set down by him, and by the change of which our blood and flesh is nurtured, is both the flesh and the blood of that incarnated Jesus.**”

TERTULLIAN - Resurrection of the Dead (AD 210)

“Man’s flesh, indeed, is washed, in order that the soul may be cleansed... the flesh is shadowed with the imposition of hands, that the soul also may be illuminated by the Spirit; **the flesh feeds on the body and blood of Christ, that the soul likewise may be filled with God.**”



ORIGEN OF ALEXANDRIA - Homilies on Exodus 13:3 (AD 244)

“I wish to admonish you with examples from your religion. You are accustomed to take part in the divine mysteries, so you know how, **when you have received the Body of the Lord, you reverently exercise every care lest a particle of it fall and lest anything of the consecrated gift perish.**”

ST. CYRIL, BISHOP OF JERUSALEM - Catechetical Lectures (AD 350)

“Do not, therefore, regard the bread and wine as simply that; for they are, according to the Master’s declaration, the body and blood of Christ. Even though the senses suggest to you the other, let faith make you firm. Do not judge in this matter by taste, but be fully assured by the faith, not doubting that you have been deemed worthy of the body and blood of Christ.”



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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT – MARCH 13, 2022

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 12

8:00 a.m. Special Intention
 4:00-4:45 p.m. Confession
 4:35 p.m. Rosary
 5:00 p.m. Parish Family

Sunday, March 13

- Second Sunday of Lent -

7:10 a.m. Rosary
 7:30 a.m. Bruce & Twilla Herr Family
 9:40 a.m. Rosary
 10:00 a.m. Jackie Cerna +

Monday, March 14

No Public Mass

Tuesday, March 15

Adoration 7:00-8:00 a.m.
 8:00 a.m. George O. Witwer +
 8:30 a.m. Confessions

Wednesday, March 16

Adoration 6:00-7:00 p.m.
 6:00-6:45 p.m. Confessions
 7:00 p.m. Patsy Butz +

Thursday, March 17

8:00 a.m. Doug Huss +

Friday, March 18

8:30 a.m. Theresa Hosler +
 7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 19

8:00 a.m. Special Intention
 4:00-4:45 p.m. Confession
 4:35 p.m. Rosary
 5:00 p.m. Mary Ann Raber +

Sunday, March 20

- Third Sunday of Lent -

7:10 a.m. Rosary
 7:30 a.m. Parish Family
 9:40 a.m. Rosary
 10:00 a.m. Living & Deceased of the Monica Harris Family

MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, March 14 - Lenten Weekday - Dn

9:4b-10/ Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday, March 15 - Lenten Weekday - Is

1:10,16-20/ Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday, March 16 - Lenten Weekday -

Jer 18:18-20/ Mt 20:17-28

Thursday, March 17 - St. Patrick, Bishop -

Lenten Weekday - Jer 17:5-10/ Lk 16:19-31

Friday, March 18 - Lenten Weekday - St.

Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church - Gn 37:3-4,12-13a,17b-28a/ Mt 21:33-43,45-46

Saturday, March 19 - Lenten Weekday -

Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary - 2 Sm 7:4-5a,12-14a,16/ Rom 4:13,16-18,22/ Mt 1:16,18-21,24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Sunday, March 20 - Third Sunday of Lent -

Ex 3:1-8a,13-15/ 1 Cor 10:1-6,10-12/ Lk 13:1-9

This weekend, the Church celebrates the **Second Sunday of Lent**. In our Gospel (Luke 9:28-36), we hear St. Luke's account of the Transfiguration. This serves as a great reminder that our Lenten journey is exactly that: *A journey*. In the life of the Church, our penitential seasons always give way to joy. To prepare the Apostles for Mount Calvary and the Cross, our Lord first takes them up the mount of the Transfiguration.

Though Peter, James, and John see our Lord in His glory, two of the three will still fall away as Jesus approaches the Cross. In the same way, as we have begun Lent, we too may fall away from our Lenten promises during this season. But, may we not let that dishearten us. If we feel that we are straying in this season, may we return to the path! It is never too late to start our Lenten journey anew and continue to walk along the way with our Lord.

ST. JOSEPH DAY CELEBRATION

This Saturday, March 19th, marks our patronal feast day: the **Solemnity of St. Joseph, Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary**. Though we will be celebrating this solemnity at our Saturday morning Mass (8 AM), our celebration will continue into the evening. Join us in the Narthex after the 5 PM Saturday Vigil Mass for the blessing of our **4th Annual St. Joseph Table** and light refreshments in honor of our parish patron.

LENTEN SCRUTINIES

Entering into the Third Sunday of Lent next weekend, we once again will celebrate the yearly Lenten Scrutinies. These are moments of intense prayer as we pray together as a parish family for those who are preparing to enter or join the Church at the Easter Vigil, including our candidate for Full Communion (Brandy). This time of Lent also serves as an opportunity for us to retrace the steps of our own Christian initiation and to seek to more perfectly surrender our lives to Jesus Christ each and every day.

UPDATED LITURGICAL DIRECTIVES - CONTINUATION

Since our last update, our county's COVID case-count has continued to decline and has transitioned to "blue" status. Taking this into consideration, alongside our diocesan liturgical directives, I will no longer be wearing a mask during the distribution of Holy Communion. Though this practice has been discontinued at daily Masses for several months and we are one of the last parishes to still have it in place, it was continued at our weekend Masses as a precautionary practice. Taking into consideration our current situation, however, it seems that we can safely discontinue this practice as we move forward. (*I will, however, continue to purify and sanitize my hands prior to distributing Holy Communion.*)

"ASK FATHER" SESSION

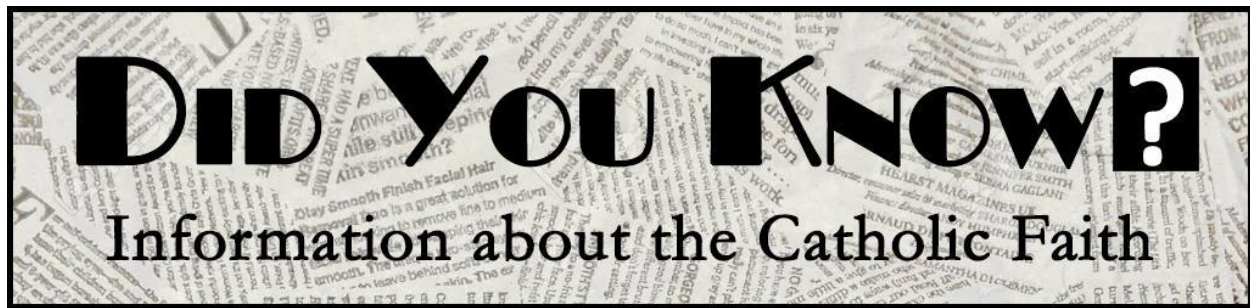
Taking a new spin on our monthly discussion forums, we will hold our first "Ask Father" Session this Friday (March 18th) after 7 PM Stations of the Cross in the Church. This new monthly event will be an open Q&A regarding any topics regarding the Faith that you would like to ask or know more about. This session will be live-streamed. Come with questions!

GARDEN BEDS

As spring is almost sprung, sign-ups for our communal garden beds are open! Last year, a number of parishioners helped build six raised beds behind the Church for communal use. One-two of the beds will be set aside as a flower garden to grow fresh flowers for use in the Church. The remaining beds are open to all parishioners who would like some garden-space. Please contact the Parish Office (824-1380) if you would like to reserve space, are interested in helping with a community garden, or are interested in helping with the flower gardens for the Church.



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, Leanne Lee, Matt McFarren, Ryan Feedback, Dr. Doug Phillips, Gene Keys, Jeff Tillman, and Marj Pogue.



THE EUCHARIST IS THE BODY AND BLOOD OF JESUS CHRIST

“Let me begin this important instruction by stating that the Holy Eucharist is a sacrament and a sacrifice; in it our Savior Jesus Christ, Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity, under the appearance of bread and wine, is contained, offered, and received. You recall that Christ promised to be with His Church ‘all days even to the consummation of the world’ (Matthew 28:20). But you probably never dreamed that He devised a way of living among the people of every community in person, so that each could visit Him, and nourish his soul’s Christian life with the bread that comes down from heaven. This is made possible through the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist.”

Excerpt from **Father Smith Instructs Jackson** by Archbishop John F. Noll

The Catholic Church proclaims that the Eucharist is the *literal* body and blood of Jesus Christ. She has held throughout the centuries that when the Eucharist is consecrated at Mass, the whole Christ is truly present -- body, blood, soul, and divinity -- under the appearances of bread and wine. This is what the Church means when She speaks of the "Real Presence" of Christ in the Eucharist.

The Church’s understanding of the Eucharist comes from the Savior Himself. As seen throughout the Sacred Scriptures, the Eucharist is both foreshadowed in the Old Testament and proclaimed in the New Testament. Foreshadowing of the Eucharist in the Old Testament is seen, to name just a few places, when Melchizedek, King of Salem, offers a gift of bread of wine to God (Genesis 14:18), the Bread of Presence in the Temple (1 Kings 7:48), the Paschal Lamb (Exodus 12), and the Manna in the desert (Exodus 16).

Within the New Testament, our Lord Jesus Christ Himself speaks of the Eucharist quite clearly in the Bread of Life Discourse found within John 6. We find the institution of the Eucharist within the Synoptic Gospels accounts of the Last Supper: Luke 22:17-20, Mark 14:22-24, and Matthew 26:26-28. St. Paul, in a similar manner, speaks of the institution of the Eucharist in 1 Corinthians 10:14-17. As it was instituted, so Our Lord commanded His Apostles to continue to make present His Sacrifice. In this way, the Sacrifice of the Mass continues to united us to the Lord.

Jesus gives Himself to us in the Eucharist as spiritual nourishment because He loves us. By eating the Body and drinking the Blood of Christ in the Eucharist, we become united to the person of Christ through His humanity. "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him" (Jn 6:56). In being united to the humanity of Christ, we are at the same time united to His divinity. Our mortal and corruptible natures are transformed by being joined to the source of life Himself.



LENTEN FOOD COLLECTION

We will be collecting canned, non-perishable food items during the Lenten/Easter Season for our local food banks. Please place your contribution in the container in the narthex.



March 15-18, 2022

Redeemer Radio is hosting their Spring Sharathon March 15th-18th to raise funds necessary to share Christ through the airwaves. Please **pray** for the success of Sharathon as well as all listeners, volunteers, and donors. For the schedule and how to give, go to www.RedeemerRadio.com/Sharathon THANK YOU!

St. Joseph Parish will be on the Redeemer Radio Spring Sharathon on **Tuesday, March 15 from 4-5pm**

REMINDER...

There will be no Religious Education Classes Sunday, March 20th & March 27th due to Spring Break. Have a safe & happy Spring Break!

PARISH CALENDAR

- Sat., March 12 - Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., March 13 - Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.
- Sun., March 13 - American Red Cross Blood Drive hosted by the Knights of Columbus - 7:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
- Sun., March 13 - Religious Education Class - 8:30 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.
- Tues., March 15 - Adoration 7-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m.
- Tues., March 15 - Children's Choir Practice - 5:30 p.m.
- Wed., March 16 - Adoration 6-7 p.m. / Confessions 6:00-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Wed., March 16 - Adult Choir Practice - 7:30 p.m.
- Thurs., March 17 - RCIA - 6:30 p.m.
- Fri., March 18 - Soup Supper - 5:30-6:30 p.m.
- Fri., March 18 - Stations of the Cross - 7:00 p.m.
- Sat., March 19 - Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., March 20 - Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.
- Sun., March 20 - No Religious Education Class - Spring Break
- Tues., March 22 - Adoration 7-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m.
- Tues., March 22 - No Children's Choir Practice - Spring Break
- Wed., March 23 - Adoration 6-7 p.m. / Confessions 6:00-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Wed., March 23 - Adult Choir Practice - 7:30 p.m.
- Thurs., March 24 - RCIA - 6:30 p.m.
- Fri., March 25 - Knights of Columbus Fish Fry - 4:00-7:00 p.m.
- Fri., March 25 - No Soup Supper due to the Fish Fry
- Fri., March 25 - Stations of the Cross - 7:00 p.m.
- Sat., March 26 - Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., March 27 - Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.
- Sun., March 27 - No Religious Education Class - Spring Break

Weekend of March 19/20, 2022



5:00 Nick Boratenski
 7:30 Mike Morrissey
 10:00 Nancy Leitz (Choir Mass)



5:00 Michelle Paxton
 7:30 Geoff Frank
 10:00 Dan Geimer



5:00 Volunteers
 7:30 Doug/Janet Lehman
 10:00 Dan/Larisa Sudhoff



5:00 Alex &/or Audrey Mechling, Isaiah/Kari Bedwell
 7:30 Jacquelyn/Phillip Mayer, Spencer McCorkle
 10:00 Wyatt Girod, Charlie Andrews, Sam Smith

St. Joseph Parish Finance Report March 5/6 Weekend

Adult Envelopes- \$3,487.00
 Child Envelopes- \$0
 Loose- \$126.06
 Repair/Rainy Day Fund- \$1,086.35
 Religious Ed. Fund- \$500.00
 Donation-Playground- \$150.00
 Votive Candles- \$114.53
 Easter Flower Donation- \$35.00
Total- \$5,498.94

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Our weekly budget is \$5,116.40

We are \$382.54 ahead of our budget for the month of March. Online Giving for February- \$5,210.00. We ended \$10,116.81 ahead of our budget for the month of February. St. Vincent de Paul Fund- \$45.00 St. Vincent de Paul Online Giving for February- \$210.00

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

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FUND REPORT - February

Housing - \$320.00/ Utilities - \$100.00
 Other Charitable Donation - \$3,750.00
Total Charitable Donations - \$4,170.00

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Adult ticket- \$11 - Child ticket- \$6 (6-12)

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OPEN DISCUSSION FORUM...

Ask Father!

Bring your questions and join the
 Open Discussion Forum... **Ask Father!**

Friday, March 18th following Stations of the Cross.

Lenten Soup Supper - 5:30-6:30 p.m.
Stations of the Cross - 7:00 p.m.
Open Discussion Forum...
Ask Father! - 7:45 p.m.

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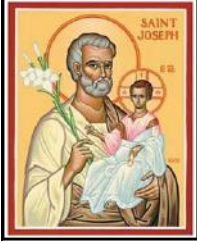
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