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

MASS INTENTIONS Saturday, May 6

8:00 a.m. Special Intention 8:30-9:00 a.m. *Confession* 4:00-4:45 p.m. *Confession*

4:35 p.m. Rosary

5:00 p.m. Tony Mangen +

Sunday, May 7 Fifth Sunday of Easter

7:10 a.m. *Rosary* 7:30 a.m. Parish Family 9:40 a.m. *Rosary*

10:00 a.m. First Communicants

Monday, May 8

No Public Mass

Tuesday, May 9

7:00-8:00 a.m. *Adoration* 8:00 a.m. Albie Porrata + 8:30 a.m. *Confession*

Wednesday, May 10

6:00-7:00 p.m. *Adoration* 6:00-6:45 p.m. *Confession* 7:00 p.m. Leo Gillig Family

Thursday, May 11

8:00 a.m. Doug Lilley +

Friday, May 12

8:30 a.m. Marj Sanders +

Saturday, May 13

8:00 a.m. Special Intention 8:30-9:00 a.m. *Confession* 4:00-4:45 p.m. *Confession*

4:35 p.m. *Rosary* 5:00 p.m. Jerry King +

Sunday, May 14 Sixth Sunday of Easter

7:10 a.m. *Rosary* 7:30 a.m. Parish Family

9:40 a.m. *Rosary*

10:00 a.m. Rose Mary Helm +



MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK Monday, May 8 - Easter Weekday - Acts 14:5-18/ Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday, May 9 - Easter Weekday - Acts 14:19-28/ Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday, May 10 - Easter Weekday - St. John of Avila, Priest and Doctor of the Church, St. Damien de Veuster, Priest - Acts 15:1-6/ Jn 15:1-8

Thursday, May 11 - Easter Weekday - Acts 15:7-21/ Jn 15:9-11

Friday, May 12 - Sts. Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs; St. Pancras, Martyr - Easter Weekday - Acts 15:22-31/ Jn 15:12-17

Saturday, May 13 - Easter Weekday - Our Lady of Fatima - Acts 16:1-10/ Jn 15:18-21 Sunday, May 14 - Sixth Sunday of Easter -Mother's Day - Acts 8:5-8,14-17/ 1 Pt 3:15-18/ Jn 14:15-21 FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - MAY 7, 2023

This weekend (May 6th/7th), the Church celebrates the Fifth Sunday of Easter. This day is also known as *Cantáte* Sunday due to the beginning of the *Introit*, or Entrance Antiphon, from Psalm 98: "*Cantáte Dómino*" or "*Sing to the Lord*." We continue to "sing to the Lord" as our Easter celebration continues even as we begin to notice a shift in our Gospel readings from this weekend onward.

Drawing near the fortieth day of **Easter** and the coming **Ascension of the Lord**, our Lord is preparing His disciples for the Ascension, where He will ascend to the right hand of the Father. Similar to our Gospel reading on the Road to Emmaus, however, the Lord never truly leaves us. He remains present to us here and now "in the breaking of the bread" in the Eucharist. Or, in the words of St. Maximilian Kolbe, "God dwells in our midst, in the Blessed Sacrament of the altar. He remains among us until the end of the world."

Congratulations again to our First Holy Communicants, who are receiving our Lord in the Eucharist for the very first time. Please pray for these children, that their hearts may be inflamed with the love of Jesus present in the Eucharist.

Parish Council - Nominations

This past Wednesday, we had our last Parish Council meeting until August. Our Parish Council consists of six parishioners who each serve a three-year term. Every year, two members cycle off the council as they complete their term. This year, Beth Gordon and Jeff Miller are completing their term and cycling off the council. A special "*Thank You!*" to both Beth and Jeff for their dedication to our parish and their guidance to our council and myself over the years.

With Beth and Jeff cycling off the council, we will have two open seats on the Parish Council to fill. Next weekend, we will include an insert in the bulletin that describes the duties and responsibilities of a Parish Council member and will have space to list nominations to the Parish Council. When a nomination is received, I will confirm that the individual is interested and willing to join the Parish Council. After nominations have closed, we leave the selection open to the Holy Spirit as I draw two names to determine our next two councilmembers.

NAME THAT BELL - VOTING AND UPDATES

As seen in last weekend's insert, we have narrowed down the 30+ suggestions to four Saint names for the old Church bell. Please submit your vote in the collection basket this weekend as our naming contest comes to a close. Once the name has been selected, the Verdin Company, who is in the process of restoring the bell, will engrave the name on the bell's face and, as the last step in the restoration process, tune the bell.

We are scheduled to have the concrete pad to support the bell poured at the beginning of June. At the same time, we are also working on having two flag poles ready to be installed alongside the bell, which will allow us to fly both the American and the Vatican flags over our campus. Parishioner Andy Vachon and local Felger Electric will be assisting with the needed electric work for this project. As we move forward, we will soon set a date for the blessing of the bell.

SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Starting in June, we will host our 2nd Annual St. Francis Summer Reading Program. This program will invite our youth, up through high school, to read a variety of Faith-based books over the summer. Our readers will have the chance to earn prizes throughout the summer and the top readers for each age-level will receive a special prize at the end of July. If you are interested in volunteering to help with prize distribution after Masses, please contact the Parish Office.

DID YOU KNOW? SUMMER EDITION

As the summer months quickly approach, we are planning to start our third round of our *Did You Know?* Campaign. As done in the past, we will make use of both our weekly bulletin and local newspaper advertisements to help address common questions and misconceptions about the Catholic Faith. If you have a particular question or topic you'd like to see covered, please let me know via email (frdavidvioli@gmail.com) or by dropping off a note at the Parish Office.



Becky Biberstein, Michael Green, Frances Carr, Tom Richhart, Carol Leitner, Pat Pfeifer, Troy Cook, Bobbie Jackson, Bonnie Burns, John Houlihan, Kimberly Abney, Sydnee Bradburn, Leanne Lee, Dr. Doug Phillips, Jeff Tillman, and Margaret Pogue.

G.I.R.L.'s night out

(Growing, Inspiring, Rejoicing, Loving)

Will hold their monthly meeting Tuesday, April 11th at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Conference Room.

All women of the Parish are invited and welcome to attend!



Catechism Chat Wednesday, May 17th at 7:45 p.m. Parish Social Hall

Bring your questions and insights from your journey through the *Catechism*.



Wedding Banns I

Nathaniel Mayer and Abbigail Springer We pray for those preparing for Holy Matrimony.

St. Francis Summer Reading Program Is BACK!!!

Beginning in June, we invite all of our parish youth to participate in our **Summer Reading Program**. The first weekend of June, our youth will have the chance to register for this two month program. A book cart, with



books of various age-levels (*up through high school*), will be available in the narthex. Children will have the opportunity to check-out books each weekend and can earn prizes throughout the summer (June-July) for the number of books that they read.

PARISH CALENDAR

- Sat., May 6 Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., May 7 Mass 7:30 a.m. / First Holy Communion Mass 10:00 a.m.
- Tues., May 9 Adoration 7-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confessions 8:30 a.m.
- Tues., May 9 Children's Choir Practice 5:30 p.m. in the Parish Conference Room.
- Tues., May 9 GIRL's Night Out Monthly Meeting 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Conference Room.
- Wed., May 10 Adoration 6-7:00 p.m. / Confession 6-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Sat., May 13 Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confession 8:30-9:00 a.m.
- Sat., May 13 Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., May 14 Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.
- Tues., May 16 Adoration 7-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confessions 8:30 a.m.
- Tues., May 16 Children's Choir Practice 5:30 p.m. in the Parish Conference Room.
- Wed., May 17 Adoration 6-7:00 p.m. / Confession 6-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Wed., May 17 Catechism Chat 7:45 p.m. in the Parish Social Hall
- Sat., May 20 Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confession 8:30-9:00 a.m.
- Sat., May 20 Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., May 21 Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.

Weekend of May 13/14 Weekend



5:00 Marita Crawfis 7:30 Donna Geisel 8 10:00 Jay Crisp



5:00 Carol Butler7:30 Geoff Frank10:00 Dan Geimer



10:00 Tammi Helm, Diana Cole



5:00 Kari/Isaiah/Melanie Bedwell
7:30 Abby/Adrienne Wagner, Charlene Felger
10:00 Grant Reifsteck, Gabby/Olivia Hoffacker

St. Joseph Parish Finance Report for the Weekend of April 29/30

Adult Envelopes- \$2,617.00 Loose- \$412.00

Repair/Rainy Day Fund- \$489.0 Votive Candles- \$32.35

> Paper Gator- \$38.10 Ascension- \$10.00 General Donation- \$70.00

Total- \$3,668.52

Our weekly budget is \$5,116.40 We are \$2,783.37 behind our

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Repair/Rainy Day Fund- \$489.07 St. Vincent de Paul Fund- \$135.00

Your gifts to St. Joseph Parish are greatly appreciated. Thank you!

If you would like to set up Online Giving, please use this website... https://www.osvhub.com/stjosephchurchbluffton/giving/funds

WELCOME, CHILD OF GOD

Through water and the word, Agnes Magdalene, daughter of Abe and McKenna Herr, became a child of God and was sealed as Christ's own forever through Baptism on Sunday, April 30, 2023, by Fr. David Violi.





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Parishioner

Before you speak.... THIINK!T - is it true? h - is it helpful? i - is it inspiring? n - is it necessary? k - is it kind?



Thursday's: 3pm-8pm Friday's: 3pm-8pm Saturday's: Noon-8pm

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