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Pope Francis

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 7

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, May 8

Fourth Sunday of Easter

7:10 a.m. Rosary
7:30 a.m. Anthony Christie + and Judy Christie
9:40 a.m. Rosary
10:00 a.m. Rose Mary Helm +

Monday, May 9

No Public Mass

Tuesday, May 10

7:00-8:00 a.m. Adoration
8:00 a.m. Jim Cole +
8:30 a.m. Confession

Wednesday, May 11

6:00-7:00 p.m. Adoration
6:00-6:45 p.m. Confessions
7:00 p.m. Doug Huss +

Thursday, May 12

8:00 a.m. Family of Larry & Marj Sanders +

Friday, May 13

8:30 a.m. Sharon Miller +

Saturday, May 14

8:00 a.m. Special Intention
4:00-4:45 p.m. Confession
4:35 p.m. Rosary
5:00 p.m. Mothers of John & Susan Houlihan

Sunday, May 15

Fifth Sunday of Easter

7:10 a.m. Rosary
7:30 a.m. Parish Family
9:40 a.m. Rosary
10:00 a.m. Tom Cincotta +



MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, May 9 - Easter Weekday - Acts

11:1-18/ Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday, May 10 - Easter Weekday - St. Damien de Veuster, Priest - Acts 11:19-26/ Jn

10:22-30

Wednesday, May 11 - Easter Weekday -

Acts 12:24—13:5a/ Jn 12:44-50

Thursday, May 12 - Easter Weekday - Sts.

Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs - St. Pancras, Martyr - Acts 13:13-25/ Jn 13:16-20

Friday, May 13 - Easter Weekday - Our La-

dy of Fatima - Acts 13:26-33/ Jn 14:1-6

Saturday, April 14 - St. Matthias, Apostle -

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/ Jn 15:9-17

Sunday, May 15 - Fifth Sunday of Easter -

Acts 14:21-27/ Rv 21:1-5a/ Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – MAY 8, 2022

This weekend, the Church celebrates the **Fourth Sunday of Easter**. As this Sunday's Gospel references the theme of the Good Shepherd (*regardless of which year of the Lectionary cycle we are in*) it is also called **Good Shepherd Sunday**. In 1964, it also received a third name as Pope St. Paul VI established it as the **World Day of Prayer for Vocations**.

Our nation adds a fourth name to this weekend as well: **Mother's Day**. In 1914, President Woodrow Wilson established the second Sunday of May as **Mother's Day**, which is "*a public expression of love and reverence for the mothers of our country.*" We wish a happy Mother's Day to all of the mothers of our parish! Whether the mother of a child, grandmother, adoptive mother, aunt, godmother, spiritual mother, and all those who share in any way in the vocation of motherhood, know of our love and gratitude for you.

How beautiful it is that both our Church and national celebrations can be seen to overlap this weekend in, ultimately, the celebration of vocations (*Priesthood, Religious Life, Married Life, Motherhood, Fatherhood, and Consecrated Single Life*). This is a great reminder that each of us, no matter who we are, is called by the Lord. In the words of our Holy Father, Pope Francis: God "*has a plan for each of you: to discover that plan and to respond to your vocation is to move toward personal fulfillment.*"

The Lord calls each of us to aid in His ministry; To be His presence, His hands and His feet, to the world. In our vocation, we live out this call and help to bring the beauty of Christ to the most unexpected places.

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

This weekend, we begin our yearly **Baby Bottle Campaign** to support *Helping Hands*, a local pregnancy/family resources center. Baby Bottles are available in the Narthex and can be returned through Father's Day weekend.

CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA—SUMMER STUDIES

Though it's been some time since I last mentioned my CUA courses, they have continued. This past week, I completed my final exam for the Spring semester and our course in Roman Law. Providing a historical overview of the Roman legal system, dating back 2800 years, we saw how the system developed over time and how it heavily influenced our own legal systems today (*both in the Church and throughout the modern world*).

In addition to completing the semester, I also received confirmation that my summer semester will resume meeting in person. This means that, throughout June and July, I will once again be away in Washington, DC, for studies. At the end of July, I will be taking my oral candidacy exam, which is the culmination of these past four years of studies. Once I return home in August, I will begin working on my dissertation for the licentiate degree.

During my absence this summer, the Bishop will be assigning a priest to St. Joseph. I do not yet know who our temporary "summer associate" will be, but I look forward to sharing with them some of the good things that they can expect to be a part of. I will also be returning several times throughout the summer to celebrate a number of Sacraments that have already been planned in the parish (*weddings*) and for the diocese (*ordinations*).

Though my studies aren't yet finished, I will start work with our Tribunal this coming September. As one of our Advocates in the Tribunal is going to Rome for further studies, I've been asked to assist the Tribunal staff during her absence throughout the next year. Thankfully, this additional assignment will not greatly affect my ministry here. It does mean, however, that I will need to dedicate one day a week to working at our Tribunal in Fort Wayne. Otherwise, the rest of my time will continue to be dedicated to our parish.

~Faithfully in Christ, Fr. David

Please Note: Next weekend, I will be away to visit with my extended family. A special "Thank You!" to Fr. Bill Sullivan who will be the celebrant for our weekend Masses.



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, Marj Pogue and Matt Marshall.

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

(Growing, Inspiring, Rejoicing, Loving)

Will hold their monthly meeting Tuesday, May 10th at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room. All women of the Parish are invited and welcome to attend! If you are in need of a ride, please call the Parish office at 260-824-1380.

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MOTHER'S DAY, MAY 8, 2022

Baby Bottle Campaign

Celebrate Mother's Day by filling your baby bottle with spare change, money or checks; made payable to Helping Hands. Your donation will assist them in serving the women and their families in our community. Thank you for your generosity!



American Red Cross

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Our Knights of Columbus will host an American Red Cross Blood Drive Sunday, June 26th
7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

To donate please register at redcross.org.

1 Blood Donation = 3 Lives Saved!

PARISH CALENDAR

- Sat., May 7 - Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., May 8 - Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.
- Tues., May 9 - Adoration 7-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m.
- Tues., May 10 - G.I.R.L.'s Night Out - meeting in the Parish Conference Room 7:00 p.m.
- Wed., May 11 - Adoration - 6-7 p.m. / Confessions 6:00-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Wed., May 11 - Parish Council Meeting - 7:30 p.m.
- Wed., May 11 - Adult Choir Practice - 7:30 p.m.
- Sat., May 14 - Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m. / Fr. Bill Sullivan, Celebrant
- Sun., May 15 - Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m. / Fr. Bill Sullivan, Celebrant
- Tues., May 17 - Adoration 7-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m.
- Wed., May 18 - Adoration - 6-7 p.m. / Confessions 6:00-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Wed., May 18 - Adult Choir Practice - 7:30 p.m.
- Wed., May 18 - Finance/Budget Meeting - 7:30 p.m.
- Sat., May 21 - Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., May 22 - Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.
- Tues., May 24 - Adoration 7-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m.
- Wed., May 25 - Adoration - 6-7 p.m. / Confessions 6:00-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Wed., May 25 - Adult Choir Practice - 7:30 p.m.
- Sat., May 28 - Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., May 29 - Mass 7:30 a.m. / Graduation Mass - 10:00 a.m.
- Mon., May 30 - Parish Office closed in observance of Memorial Day

Weekend of May 14/15



5:00 Bruce Holland
7:30 Donna Geisel
10:00 Jay Crisp



5:00 Stacey Coulardot
7:30 Carol Butler
10:00 Dan Geimer (Choir Mass)



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



5:00 Angel/Zoe Soto, Kari or Isiah Bedwell
7:30 Beth Geisel, Volunteers
10:00 Ellie Coyne, Gabby Hoffacker, Gracie Haiflich

St. Joseph Parish Finance Report

April 30 / May 1 Weekend

Adult/Easter Envelopes- \$2,715.00
Child Envelopes- \$0
Loose- \$230.00
Repair/Rainy Day Fund- \$1,422.65
Religious Ed. Fund- \$25.00
Ascension- \$15.00
Votive Candles- \$197.01
Paper Gator- \$21.87
Total- \$4,626.53

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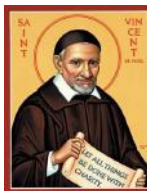
Our weekly budget is \$5,116.40

We are \$3,211.49 behind our budget for the month of April. Online giving for April - \$5,645.00. We ended \$2,433.51 ahead of our budget for the month of April.

St. Vincent de Paul Fund- \$70.00

St. Vincent de Paul Online Giving for April - \$210.00

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



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FUND REPORT - April

Housing - \$240.00
Charitable Donations - \$2,000.00
Total Charitable Donation - \$2,240.00

Thank you for helping us help others!

THANK YOU

Thank you Fr. David, Knights of Columbus and your great parish family for Masses, prayers, visits, love and kindness to Bob. We are forever grateful. God bless you, The Bob Butler Family

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at 5:00 Mass

Sunday, June 12th - Friday, June 17th

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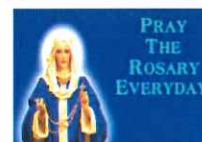
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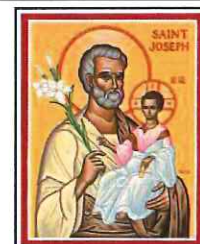
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