THE CRUCIFIX

"We proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles."

1 Corinthians 1:23

The letters "INRI" are initials for the Latin title that Pontius Pilate, the Roman prefect of Judaea, had written over the head of Jesus on the cross (John 19:19). The words were:

I - Iesvs

N - Nazarenvs

R - Rex

I - Ivdaeorvm

The English translation is: Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews.

The Catholic Church has honored the supreme sacrifice of Jesus Christ on the cross from its earliest days. Initially, this was done in a veiled way, using symbolic figures to represent Jesus on the cross. The Greek letters tau (T) and tho (P) were interposed, creating an abstract image that looks like someone on the cross. However, once Christianity was legalized in the 4th Century, artists were able to be more realistic and freely depicted Jesus on the cross in their artwork.

The purpose of the crucifix is to display the immense love Jesus has for all humanity and to remind us of the hope of the Resurrection won by that victory of Jesus' Passion. The crucifix reminds us that there is no resurrection without the cross, and that we are called to pick up our own crosses and follow after Jesus. He has shown us the example of true Christian living and, as reminded everytime that we see a crucifix, we are called to imitate Him and His great love for all of humanity.



"Let us fearlessly acknowledge, and even openly proclaim, that Christ was crucified for us; let us confess it, not in fear but in joy, not in shame but in glory." ~St. Augustine of Hippo

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[] New Parishioners, please send a Parish Registration Form

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

MASS INTENTIONS Saturday, August 13

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, August 14 Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:10 a.m. Rosary 7:30 a.m. Dale Pearson 9:40 a.m. Rosary

10:00 a.m. Sue Meyer +

Monday, August 15 Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00 p.m. Nancy Kreutzer +

Tuesday, August 16

8:00 a.m. Joan Scheidler + 8:30 a.m. Confession

Wednesday, August 17

6:00-7:00 p.m. *Adoration* 6:00-6:45 p.m. *Confessions*

7:00 p.m. Mabel O'Keefe + & Vesta Marshall +

Thursday, August 18

8:00 a.m. Susan Tschannen

Friday, August 19

8:30 a.m. Daisy Rickord Saturday, August 20

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, August 21

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:10 a.m. *Rosary* 7:30 a.m. Greg Mayer +

9:40 a.m. *Rosary* 10:00 a.m. Lugene Keys +



MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK Monday, August 15 - Twentieth Week in Ordinary Time - The Assumption of the Blessed Mary - Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a,10ab/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

Tuesday, August 16 - St. Stephen of Hungary - Ez 28:1-10/ Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday, August 17 - Ez 34:1-11/ Mt 20:1 -16

Thursday, August 18 - Ez 36:23-28/ Mt 22:1

Friday, August 19 - St. John Eudes, Priest - Ez 37:1-14/ Mt 22:34-40

Saturday, August 20 - St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church - Ez 43:1-7ab/ Mt 23:1-12

Sunday, August 21 - Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time - Is 66:18-21/ Heb 12:5-7,11-13/ Lk 13:22-30

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - AUGUST 14, 2022

This weekend (August 13th/14th), the Church celebrates the **Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**. At this time, we are beginning to see many of our college students head off as they return to school for a new semester. As you return to your studies, know of our prayers for you and that we greatly look forward to your return home on breaks and at the end of the semester.

PARISH COUNCIL

We welcome our two newest Parish Council members: Chris Hartman and Sarah McCorkle. Chris and Sarah will be joining our current members: Beth Gordon, Abraham Herr, Jeff Miller, and Andy Vachon. Each member of the Parish Council serves a three-year term and, together, acts as an advisor to the pastor. As a reminder, Parish Council meetings are the first Wednesday of the Month (August-May) following the 7 PM evening Mass in the Parish Conference Room and are open to all members of the Parish.

HELPING HANDS PARKING LOT FUNDRAISER

Next Saturday (August 20th), we are lending the northside of our parish parking lot to **Helping Hands** for their annual **Parking Lot Party**. **Helping Hands**, a local pregnancy and family resource center, is one of a number of charities that our parish supports within our community. Though we do not normally allow events to conflict with the weekend Mass schedule, the Parish Council approved an exception to this policy in support of this good cause.

For those attending the Saturday evening Vigil Mass next weekend, there will be attendants in the parking lot to help direct traffic. Please follow their instructions and thank you for your understanding and patience. After Mass, I would encourage you to head over to the northside of the campus, join the party, and help support this resource for our community.

REGISTRATION & SIGN-UP WEEKEND - AUGUST 27TH/28TH

In two weekends, we will be hosting a Registration and Ministry Fair. After all Masses on the weekend of August 27th/28th, you will have the opportunity to register as a parishioner or to update any registration information with the Parish Office. There will also be representatives from several of our parish groups to speak with and sign-up sheets for our various ministries. If there is a ministry we do not currently offer, but you would be interested in assisting with, please let me know.

Holy Day of Opportunity - Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

This Monday, August 15th, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. As this celebration falls on a

Monday, though it is a holy day, it is <u>not</u> a holy day of obligation this year.

Though not a holy day of obligation, it is instead a holy day of opportunity.

Join us for Mass for this celebration on Monday, August 15th, at 7 PM.

DID YOU KNOW? - CRUCIFIXES

The return of our "*Did You Know*?" Campaign puts our attention on one of the more noticeable sacramentals (or "sacred sign") within the Catholic Church: **The Crucifix**. Often prominently placed within the Sanctuary and one of the first things you see upon entering a church, the crucifix helps us better understand and appreciate our "theology of redemption." It serves as a constant reminder of Christ's love for us and the price of our salvation (1 Cor. 6:20).

By His death on the cross, Christ conquered sin and death, redeemed the world, opened the way of salvation for all who would receive it, and reconciled his people with the Father (cf. Eph 2:13-18; Col 1:19-20). That is why the crucifix is such a **potent reminder** for us of what He did on our behalf that dark afternoon on Calvary. In the words of Ven. Fulton Sheen: "Keep your eyes on the crucifix, for Jesus without the cross is a man without a mission, and the cross without Jesus is a burden without a reliever."

~Faithfully in Christ, Fr. David





NEW CHOIR MEMBERS WELCOME!

The Adult Choir at St. Joseph is in need of singers. We sing on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month and have weekly practice on Wednesdays after the 7:00 pm Mass starting September 7th. The choir also sings Christmas Eve and Holy Week. If you enjoy singing and would like to serve in this important ministry please contact Teresa Smith at teresalsmith2000@yahoo.com for more information.

COME JOIN US!

REGISTRATION WEEKEND - Aug. 27th/28th at each Mass

You will have the opportunity to update your Parish Registration Information and learn about / sign-up for the various groups and ministries in the parish. Members of the Knights of Columbus and GIRL's Night Out will be available to give information about their respective groups and answer any questions you may have.

On Saturday, August 27th we will be hosting a Religious Education Registration Pizza & Sundae Bar for all families in the Parish who have children entering Kindergarten through Grade 12. Take the opportunity to register your child(ren), meet their Catechist and enjoy food and fellowship with other members of your parish family!



Do Something Beautiful for God... Become a Catechist!

The role of a Catholic Catechist is to catechize the Faith of the Catholic Church, both by word and example bringing young people closer to Jesus and grow in their faith as

Catholics. A Catechist is someone who lets the word of God echo through their life. Catechists do more than simply teaching the faith. A Catechist shares their faith and guides their students to learn how to apply and live their faith, as well. We have openings! Come and join our team of St. Joseph Catechists! For more information call Michelle in the parish office at 260-824-1380.

PARISH CALENDAR

- Sat., Aug. 13 Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., Aug. 14 Mass 7:30 a.m. / Mass 10:00 a.m.
- Tues., Aug. 16 Adoration 7-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confessions 8:30 a.m.
- Wed., Aug. 17 Adoration 6-7 p.m. / Confessions 6:00-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Sat., Aug. 20 Helping Hands Fundraiser / St. Joseph Parking Lot (North) 4:00-8:00 p.m.
- Sat., Aug. 20 Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., Aug. 21- Mass 7:30 a.m. / Mass 10:00 a.m.
- Tues., Aug. 23 Adoration 7-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confessions 8:30 a.m.
- Wed., Aug. 24 Adoration 6-7 p.m. / Confessions 6:00-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Sat., / Sun., August 27 & 28 Registration Weekend at all Masses.
- Sat., Aug. 27 Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sat., Aug. 27 Religious Education Registration Pizza & Sundae Bar following evening Mass in the Parish Social Hall. Classes begin Sunday, September 11 - 8:30-9:45 a.m.
- Sun., Aug. 28 Mass 7:30 a.m. / Mass 10:00 a.m.

Weekend of August 20/21, 2022



5:00 Bruce Holland7:30 Donna Geisel10:00 Marita Crawfis



5:00 Glenn Ryan7:30 Geoff Frank

10:00 Patti-Clark Johnson



5:00 Volunteers7:30 Volunteers10:00 Volunteers



7:30 Alex/Audrey Mechling, Isiah Bedwell 7:30 Beth Geisel, Spencer McCorkle, Volunteer 10:00 Grant Reifsteck, Charlie Andrews, Sam Smith

St. Joseph Parish Finance Report for the Weekend of August 6/7

Adult Envelopes- \$2,388.00 Child Envelopes- \$2.00 Loose- \$511.00 Repair/Rainy Day Fund- \$902.00

Total- \$3,803.00

Your gifts to St. Joseph Parish are greatly appreciated.

Our weekly budget is \$5,116.40

We are \$1,313.40 behind our budget for the month of August. Online Giving for July- \$5,125.00. We ended \$1,675.69 ahead of our budget for the month of July.

St. Vincent de Paul Fund- \$40.00 St. Vincent de Paul Online Giving for July- \$185.00

osvonlinegiving.com/4741

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FUND REPORT - July

Utilities- \$223.28 Housing- \$330.00 Total Charitable Donation - \$**553.28**

Thank you for helping us help others!

Knights of Columbus Red Cross Blood Drive Sunday, August 28, 2022 * 7:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Register at - redcrossblood.org

From Death To New Life

In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Rick L. Cotterman, father of Tracy (Kerry) Coyne and grandfather of Kody, Cassie and Ellie Coyne, who passed away Saturday, June 11, 2022. Rick was laid to rest Saturday, August 6, 2022.

May God welcome Rick home, fill him with peace and bless those who will miss him.

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

From Death To New Life

In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Jack Noe, father of Leslie (Neil) Draper and grandfather of Jace and Zoe Draper, who passed away Friday, August 5, 2022. Leslie's mother Cindy passed away earlier this year on January 2, 2022.

May God welcome them home, fill them with peace and bless those who will miss them.

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



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k - is it kind?



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