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Br. Ray Stadmeier, O.F.M., Cap.

December 31, 2023

The Most
Holy Name
of



Jesus

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MASS TIMES

Saturday - 4:00 pm; Sunday - 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 6:30 pm

Weekend Mass may be viewed online: www.saintjosephparish.org

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday - 12:05 pm

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday: 9:00 am-3:00 pm; Friday: 9:00 am-12:00 pm

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

Marriage: Active parish membership of 6 months is required before a wedding date may be set.

Reconciliation: Saturdays from 9 until approximately 9:30 am or call for an appointment.

Baptism: Please call the Parish Office 2 months in advance.

Anointing of the Sick: Please call the Parish Office anytime.

REACHING IN, REACHING OUT, REACHING GOD

Br. Ray's Reflections

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas. This was my first Christmas at St. Joe's, and it was tremendous! From the children's Nativity play at the 4pm Mass, to all the musical mixes at each Mass, to the beautiful decorations, we certainly celebrated the birth of Christ. Thanks to all who participated in any way to make our celebrations so moving and inspiring. There just seemed to be a powerful spirit of kindness and joy throughout the weekend. Thank you for making my first Christmas at St. Joe's so memorable.

On another note, I opened my gifts and cards on Christmas Day when all the Masses were over. I thought it would be a few moments of opening some nice cards and gifts, but I was deluged with cards and gifts from you! It took hours to go through all of your kind words and gifts and I was overwhelmed. I am set with cookies and desserts until I'm, at least, 100! The biggest anguish for me when opening all of these cards and gifts was wondering how I could send "thank you" notes to all of you. Knowing my track record on thank you notes, I don't expect I will be able to get them out, but I want you to know that you have humbled me with your kindness. Thank you for welcoming me to St. Joe's and surrounding me with your generosity and love. I truly appreciate all of you.

This weekend we will celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family. We will hear the story of Mary, Joseph and Jesus and will look to them as a model for all families. When any of us compare our families to the Holy Family, we will come up short. It's a tough feast because there are all kinds of issues in families. If your family is great and all connected, thank God. If there are struggles and hardship and broken relationships, please know that you are loved by the Holy Family who also knew the struggles of being human. Bring them in to the suffering of your family and allow them to bring some healing to your family. May Mary, Joseph and Jesus surround all of our families with their tender mercy and love.

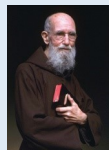
Please Pray For...

Please pray for all our parishioners who are ill: **Dave Hendricks, Mercedes Hartkopf, Bonnie O'Connell**

Remember also our nursing home residents and shut-ins, and pray for the intentions recorded in our Prayer Book of Intentions.

Please pray for our parishioners or family members of parishioners who have died: **Peter Gaigg, Mary Rettler, Sharon Verhoeven and Rebecca DeBauge (Mother of Brady Overton)**

SCHEDULED MASS INTENTIONS



***Blessed Solanus Casey
Pray for Us***

Monday, January 1 - Solemnity of Mary

9:00 am Dec. Jenny Schubring

Tuesday, January 2

12:05 pm Members of St. Joseph Parish

12:30 pm St. Anthony Devotions

Wednesday, January 3

12:05 pm Amy Marie Balliet

Friday, January 5

12:05 pm Lost Souls in Purgatory and
Integration of Peace

Saturday, January 6

4:00 pm Dec. Beth Gorski

Sunday, January 7

8:00 am Dec. Peter & Juliana Vissers

10:00 am Paul Gerard Engel

6:30 pm Dec. Barbara Kozlowski

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

***Monday, January 1 - Solemnity of Mary,
The Mother of God - 9:00 AM Mass
Parish Office is Closed***

Tuesday, January 2

1:00 pm Prayer Shawl, LL12

Wednesday, January 3

No Faith Formation Classes

Friday, January 5

12:30 pm First Friday Adoration

Saturday, January 6

9:00 am Private Reconciliation

Congratulations Calendar Raffle Winners

December 17—Alex Fendt—\$25
December 18—John Zaborsky—\$25
December 19—Cailin Haas—\$25
December 20—Mike May—\$25
December 21—Sue Evers—\$25
December 22—Linda Baumruk—\$25
December 23—Evan J. Henke—\$25



**Wishing you a Blessed New Year!
From Br. Ray, Snoop & the Parish Staff**

DECEMBER 31, 2023 / THE HOLY FAMILY

BINGO



Join us for BINGO and snacks on Tuesday, January 9 at 1:00 pm in Holly Hall. Please call the Parish Office at: 920-734-7195 to RSVP by Friday, January 5 at noon. All are welcome to attend! Sponsored by the Senior Committee.

Baptismal Preparation Class

Baptismal preparation classes are held every other month on the 2nd Thursday of the month. The next session is on **Thursday, January 11 at 7:00 pm** in Room 209. To register for this session, contact Deacon Mark Farrell at: 920-422-2892.

January Birthdays



We have 203 parishioners celebrating a Birthday in January! Have a Happy and Blessed day! We wish to acknowledge all those who are 80 and over: Joan M, Barbara K, Janet M, Margaret F, Pat C, Donna K, Roxann M, Michael W, Jan A, Tedford H, Jeanne D, John P, Connie B, Andre B, Paul H, John E, Rose G, and Donald V.

Social Concerns Ministry Corner

The Social Concerns Ministry Committee would like to thank the volunteers who are transporting parishioners to church and appointments, who have helped with yardwork and those who helped serve a meal at Villa Hope. May God reward you for your dedicated services.

Financial News

Tithing Needed.....	\$16,777.00
Last Week's Tithing	\$20,505.56
Auto Withdrawal	\$470.00
Children's Collection.....	\$17.00
IRA's/Donations.....	\$850.00

Thank you for your financial support!

Readings for Week of December 31

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 or Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 or Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40

Monday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (2a)/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 1:19-28

Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:29—3:6/Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6/Jn 1:29-34

Thursday: 1 Jn 3:7-10/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9/Jn 1:35-42

Friday: 1 Jn 3:11-21/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Jn 1:43-51

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-38 or 3:23, 31-34, 36, 38 ©LPI

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