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February 25, 2024



2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; from the cloud came a voice, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone but Jesus alone with them. - Mk 9:7-8

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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

ST FRANCIS XAVIER CATHOLIC SCHOOLS.... 920-735-9380

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

Thanks to everyone who made our "Mardi Gras" Volunteer Appreciation night a great success. We are grateful to Jane Wilz who organized the event as well as our cooks and kitchen helpers, Ken Hartman, Larry and Barb Mauthe, Jim Cahall, Sharon Ertl and all those who helped with clean up at the end of the night, especially the team of Paul and Ruth Vosters. We are also grateful to our students who were the waitstaff. They were incredible and served with such professionalism! Lastly, but certainly not least, we are so grateful for Maria Biesterveld, our MC, and Keegan, our musician on the piano. They added so much to our evening. All this talent brought us a wonderful night of laughter and joy. We also appreciated our King and Queen, Marty Gietman and Peggy Holzknecht, who took their "crowning" in stride. When we gather for nights like this, I am so grateful for the goodness of our parishioners. Thanks to all for a great memory and a wonderful time.

Last Sunday, I had the privilege of accompanying our newest parishioners to the Rite of Election at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral. Our Catechumen, Emiliano Victoria, and our Candidate, Matthew Longmore were welcomed by the Bishop and blessed as they continue on their journey to the Easter Sacraments. Emiliano, who is now considered one of the "elect" is on the last weeks of his journey and will receive Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation at the Easter Vigil. Matt, who has been baptized in another faith, will be received into full communion in the church and receive the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation. Both men are stellar and are sincere in their desire to be disciples of Christ. We are blessed to have them join us at St. Joe's. Please pray for them during these last weeks before Easter.

As we continue on our journey of Lent, we may have already fallen short on our prayer, fasting or almsgiving. Please just dust yourself off and keep going. The Lord appreciates even our desire to be better so don't give up. The Lord continues to call each of us to his unconditional love. May we try to remove some of the obstacles and distractions that keep us from experiencing the extravagance of that love. Have a good second week of Lent.

Please Pray For...

Please pray for all our parishioners who are ill: Lynn Bayness, Dave Hendricks, JoAnn Syring

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: LuWilla Pillar (Mother of Michele Redding)

Silent Meditation During Lent in Church

The church will be open each morning during Lent, Monday through Friday, from 8 - 9 AM for silent meditation before the Blessed Sacrament. Come as you are and find a quiet space for yourself. There will be no words...just quiet. We recommend not bringing a lot of prayers or reading materials but just come...you and Christ quietly sitting together.

Bishop's Annual Appeal



We're already into the fourth weekend of the Bishop's Annual Appeal. A target is assessed to each parish based on its annual 2024 BISHOP'S APPEAL contributions. Our target for this

year is \$88,667. So far, 112 parishioners have contributed \$27,345 towards our target. Thank you to all who contributed so far!

St. Joseph Women's Day Saturday, March 2, 8:30 AM to Noon

Join us for a morning of Enrichment, Spirituality and Fun! Breakfast snacks, refreshments and door prizes. Keynote: The Spirituality of Decluttering and your choice of sectionals. Invite your family members and friends to join you. Flyer with complete information and registration form is available at the back of church. Registration deadline is Monday,

Feb. 26. Fees increase if received after Monday.

Lenten Habitat Collection



Each year for our Lenten collection, we collect for Habitat for Humanity to help build the house that faith builds! Our donation, combined

with the donations from other area churches, builds one house a year for a family in need. There is a banner in church that reflects the generosity of those who have contributed. If you can help with this, put your donation in an envelope marked "Habitat" and put it in the box in the back of church marked Donations for Habitat. Your contributions are greatly appreciated.

Congratulations Calendar Raffle Winners

February 11—Mark Kools—\$25

February 12—Dion & Nicole Sprangers—\$25

February 13—Samantha Wellnitz—\$25

February 14—Carleen Schmidt—\$25

February 15—Lisa Geiger—\$25

February 16—Ethan Reetz—\$25

February 17—Carl & Tammy Plamann—\$25

FEBRUARY 25, 2024 / SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Thank you to all our Volunteers!!

Last week, we celebrated dinner with our volunteers at our Volunteer Appreciation Dinner. Thank you to those who served in the kitchen and helped plan this wonderful event. We are so grateful to all our volunteers!









Financial News

(2/10/24 - 2/11/24)

Tithing Needed	.\$16,777.00
Last Week's Tithing	\$11,952.31
Auto Withdrawal	\$25,219.00
Children's Collection	\$9.00
IRA's/Donations	\$9,400.00

Thank you for your financial support!

Readings for the Week of February 25

Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/ Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19 (116:9)/

Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and

13/Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 23:1-12 **Wednesday:** Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6,

14, 15-16/Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4

and 6/Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 21:33-43,

45-46

Organ Repair Update

Exciting news! The repair work on our front organ is wrapping up this year. If you missed our bulletin insert in 2022, it's possible you did not know our two sets of pipes have been under repair in the last few years!

Both the 100+ year old Schaefer organ in the balcony and the front Holtkamp organ are functioning instruments, and Marisa plays them both from the same console in the sanctuary. Most of the pipes which were in Illinois at the Buzard company's workshop have returned this week. Tuning will take place next week. Brand new bass flute pipes are also being installed around the window. This is the only thing about the organs that will look different (although they will sound much better than they did!) Some of the reed pipes are still being worked on and will return this summer, at which point the project will be complete.





Work on the balcony organ was completed last year, and a filter was installed in the basement on the blower. Marisa has only been playing the balcony organ at mass this year while the Holtkamp pipes were repaired.

We are blessed to be able to pay for this project with the Building Fund. Thanks to the generosity of several parish families who established the fund, because of this our parish did not ask for donations or use our regular budget on this project. If you have questions or want to know more about the organs, Marisa would be happy to talk to you about this project.

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SCHEDULED MASS INTENTIONS



Blessed Solanus Casey Pray for Us

Tuesday, February 27

12:05 pm Dec. Keith Witthuhn 12:30 pm St. Anthony Devotions

Wednesday, February 28

12:05 pm Dec. Sherwood Williams

Friday, March 1

12:05 pm Dec. Patricia Pfeifer

Saturday, March 2

4:00 pm Dec. John & Cathy Barta

Sunday, March 3

8:00 am Dec. Cheryl Butler 10:00 am Dec. Jay Hagman Dec. Peggy Schouten 6:30 pm

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH Monday, February 26

1:00 pm Financial Presentation, Holly Hall

Tuesday, February 27

Faith Sharing, Room 209 1:00 pm

Wednesday, February 28

Grades K-5 Faith Formation Classes 4:45 pm 6:30 pm Grades 6-11 Faith Formation Classes 6:30 pm Finance Council Meeting, 2nd Floor

Thursday, February 29

5:30 pm Stations & Soup Supper at St. Mary's

6:30 pm Choir in Church

6:30 pm Financial Presentation, Holly Hall

Friday, March 1

10:00 am Bible Study, Rooms 210-212

10:30 am First Friday Adoration

Saturday, March 2

8:30 am Women's Day—Holly Hall 9:00 am Private Reconciliation

Sunday, March 3

11:05 am Faith Sharing, Room 209

*Food Collection Weekend

Lenten Uplifting Presentation and Discussion

Hope in the Desert: March 5 - 1 - 3:30 pm, Holly Hall Amy Deibert, Evangelization and OCIA Director, Diocese of Green Bay

Lent is a time of penance, but we also know the end of the story and have great hope. Come and hear Amy's presentation of keeping our eyes fixed on Christ during our Lenten journey. Let us know you're coming by Friday, March 1 at noon. All are welcome! Sponsored by the Senior Committee. Light snacks will be served.

ST JOSEPH PARISH

Trip to the Solanus Center in Detroit

Join Br. Ray on a trip to the Solanus Center in Detroit, MI on May 7 - 9. Flyers and details are at the back of church or in the Parish Office. For questions, email Penny Paris at: pparis1@att.net. The bus is not handicap accessible. Only a few openings left.

Help for the Homeless Hygiene Drive



The Family's Hygiene Drive runs Help for the Homeless until March 3. Boxes are in the Great Hall. Most needed items: toothbrushes, shampoo,

toothpaste, toilet paper, paper towels, laundry detergent, dish soap, soft soap, disposable razors, wet wipes, diapers and pull-ups (sizes 3-6) and unscented deodorant. More info at: TheFamily.net.

Social Concerns Ministry

The Social Concerns Ministry at St. Joe's is providing an opportunity to hear Ivy Casarez, Financial Counselor at Financial and Debt Solutions Services. present a session on FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT on Monday, Feb. 26, 1:00-2:30 pm and on Thursday, Feb. 29, 6:30-8:00 pm in Holly Hall. Choose the day and time that fits your schedule. Please register at: 920-734-7195 with name, phone number and which date you will attend. Refreshments will be available.





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