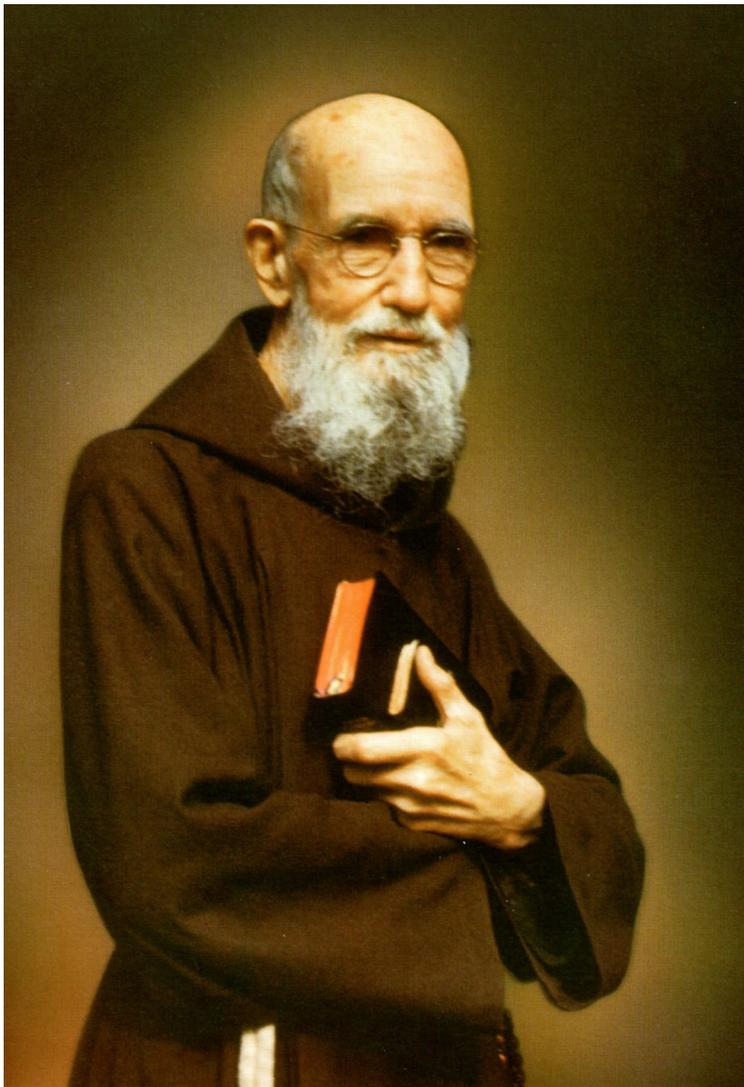




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July 31, 2022

18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PRAYER FOR THE CANONIZATION OF BLESSED SOLANUS CASEY

O God, I adore You. I give myself to You.
May I be the person You want me to be,
and May Your will be done in my life today.

I thank You for the gifts You gave
Father Solanus. If it is Your Will, bless us
with the Canonization of Father Solanus
so that others may imitate and carry on
his love for all the poor and suffering of
our world.

As he joyfully accepted Your divine plans,
I ask You, according to Your Will, to hear
my prayer for... (your intention)
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

“Blessed be God in all His designs.”

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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-2:00 pm

ST FRANCIS XAVIER CATHOLIC SCHOOLS.....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

Shepherd's Voice:

Dear members of our St. Joe's Family,

Greetings of Peace!

This weekend, on July 30th we are remembering our son of the soil Blessed Solanus Casey. Praise be to God for such a great soul. Among all his saintly practices, one thing that struck me the most is being available to his people and patiently listening to their stories. By answering the door in the friaries he lived, he became a highly regarded counselor. His holy life, deep faith, powerful prayers, divine blessings, warm heart, and gentle smile drew many people closer to God. They experienced healings after receiving his blessings. That's why, many started showing up at the monastery asking for Solanus. And he was there at the door day and night to answer them. Isn't he awesome? What a great pastoral care on his people! Let us ask him to intercede for us for such a blessing.

The first reading today introduces a Preacher speaking of the meaning of life. For him, life is a wind and nothing more, but for Jesus, it is worth living. It becomes rich and meaningful in the way we live. The Preacher reminds us that there will be an ultimate end to all created things, and the primary goal here on earth is to walk our way straight to heaven. St. Paul, in the second reading warns us to renounce all the works of evil and look for things that are in heaven. That is, we must be heaven bound where Christ is everything. What Paul advocates is the Christ centered life.

In the gospel, Jesus speaks about the foolishness of a rich man, and reminds us to be children of generous hearts. We need to understand that the material wealth should not stand in the way of going to God. Life becomes holy by a holy living. Life does not consist in possessions but in sharing. Sharing brings great joy. St. John Paul II says, "God loves those who find joy in giving." "For it is in giving that we receive," says St. Francis of Assisi. Our blessed Casey lived a meaningful holy life; Christ was the center of his life. He always shared his blessings with people. And he is blessed now. Brothers and Sisters, let us love Jesus above all things. Blessed Solanus Casey – Pray for us!

Blessings!

Fr. Raja Selvam

Please Pray For...

Please pray for all our parishioners who are ill. 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: **Camille Woyak, James Zeegers**

Baptism



We welcome into the St. Joseph Community through Baptism...

Jordan Scott Clemons

Blessed Solanus Casey Resources

As we celebrate Blessed Solanus Casey's Feast Day, below are links to Novena prayers.

<https://www.solanuscenter.org/events/blessed-solanus-casey-novena-2022>

<https://solanuscasy.org/franciscan-charism/pray-for-others/novena-prayers>

Food Collection

We will be starting our food collection again for St. Joseph Food Program the first weekend of each month. Most needed items at this time: cereal, mac-n-cheese, canned chicken or tuna, jelly, peanut butter, pasta sauce, and Hamburger Helper. Items that are not allowed: food in glass containers, perishable goods, or past used-by dates. Place your items on the sides by the altar next weekend. Thank you for your generosity.

Parish Council Nominations

There are openings on our Parish Council, and we are looking for nominations for those seats.

If you would like to nominate yourself or someone else, please submit that name in writing to Dana Schmidt in the Parish Office at: dschmidt@stjoesparish.org. Candidates need to be members of St Joe's and have a desire to serve the needs of the parish. The Council meets on the 3rd Tuesday of every month, except for July & August.

Bishop's Annual Appeal



Thanks to everyone who has contributed to this year's Bishop's Appeal. Our target is \$85,271.00.

So far 390 parishioners have contributed \$71,320.20. If you have not offered a gift, please help us. If you lost your pledge card, there are more available on the radiator in back of church. Thank you for your support.

Congratulations Calendar Raffle Winners

July 17—Madeline Davis—\$25

July 18—Carol Opgenorth—\$25

July 19—James & Ellen Lutz—\$25

July 20—Marina Templin—\$25

July 21—Marge Stammer—\$25

July 22—Robert & Kathryn Geenen— \$25

July 23—Kathy Bates—\$25

Congratulations, Owen!



We're proud to announce that **Owen McGreevey** was recently awarded the Spirit of Kateri Award at Camp Tekakwitha. This is a rare honor amongst campers, and we're certain the formation Owen has received in our community played a part in him winning this award.

Each week, Camp Tekakwitha staff awards the Spirit of Kateri Award to exceptional campers in recognition of their leadership, love of Christ, embodiment of our Camp theme, and dedication to serving their cabin mates and friends at Camp Tekakwitha. Owen was among only four campers

awarded in his session, nominated by his counselors, and selected by the staff! The theme this summer at Camp was CHOSEN, something our patroness, St. Kateri Tekakwitha, embodied in her everyday life. As a young person, St. Kateri displayed a deep love for Jesus amidst numerous obstacles and was a witness to Christ and a friend to many. She made sure to stop and care for all people, especially the elderly and sick in her community.

Our goal is for each one of our campers to leave Camp at the end of the week knowing that they are worthy, important, and loved, and Owen made this a priority during his time here at Camp, treating everyone with dignity and love in everything he did! He showed true servant leadership to both campers and counselors alike. We're so proud of Owen!

Fall Festival – September 10 & 11



The Fall Festival Committee thought they would have a little fun this year and get more parishioners involved! We will be having a chili contest and a dessert contest and the winner's recipes will be used at this year's festival. A chance for you to show off your culinary skills at church! Here's how it works:

1. You must be willing to share your recipe.
2. The recipe must be able to be produced for a large quantity of people and not be overly pricey to make.
3. The dessert should be something easy to make for a large crowd that does not have to be refrigerated such as cookies, bars or cake, etc.

We will ask you to bring in a crockpot of chili for tasting by your fellow parishioners after the 8 and 10 am Sunday Masses. For dessert we would ask you to bring in a couple pans of cake or bars or a few dozen cookies etc. to be judged after the 4 pm and 6:30 pm Masses. Call the Parish Office to let us know you will be entering so we can coordinate the events.

We need your help to make this festival one of the best ever. The winning chili will be made for sale and the winning dessert will be featured with the Saturday dinner. The winners will get bragging rights and also receive a gift card for their efforts. The contest will be the weekend of August 13-14. We'll see you there and may the Holy Spirit inspire you as you share your gifts with the parish.

DONATIONS NEEDED!

Pick your Pumpkins or Leaves from the tree this weekend, in order to help with our raffle baskets, kid's games and items for our dinner. Thank you!

Financial News

Tithing Needed	\$18,750.00
Last Week's Tithing.....	\$5,713.97
Auto Withdrawal	\$520.00
Children's Collection	\$2.00

Parish Support Through Collections

(7/01/21—6/30/22)

Budgeted

\$974,400.00

Actual

\$937,917.25

June 2022 Outreach Programs

Milk Money	\$879.49
St. Joseph Food Program	\$25.00
LEAVEN	\$5.00
Pillars	\$20.00

Green contribution envelopes for our Outreach Programs are located on the radiator in back of Church.

We appreciate your financial support to help keep us on target!

Readings for the Week of July 31

Sunday: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23

Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17 [1]

Col 3:1-5, 9-11

Lk 12:13-21

Monday: Jer 28:1-17

Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102

Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22

Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23

Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday: Jer 31:1-7

Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13

Mt 15:21-28

Thursday: Jer 31:31-34

Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19

Mt 16:13-23

Friday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7

Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41

Mt 16:24-28

Saturday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14

Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9

2 Pt 1:16-19

Lk 9:28b-36

Next Sunday: Wis 18:6-9

Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22 [12b]

Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12

Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40 ©LPi

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SCHEDULED MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, August 2

12:05 pm Dec. Jay Hagman
12:30 pm St. Anthony Devotions

Wednesday, August 3

12:05 pm Dec. David & Barb Jochman

Friday, August 5

12:05 pm Dec. Beulah Gurnee

Saturday, August 6

4:00 pm Dec. Ella Hameister

Sunday, August 7

8:00 am Dec. Barb Meyer
10:00 am Dec. Michael & Patricia Milton
6:30 pm Members of St. Joseph Parish

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday, August 1

6:30 pm Social Concerns Mtg., Room 210

Tuesday, August 2

1:00 pm Prayer Shawl, LL10+12

Friday, August 5

12:30 pm First Friday Adoration

Saturday, August 6

9:00 am Private Reconciliation

Food Collection

Sunday, August 7

Food Collection

Book Club

The next St. Mary/St. Joseph book club discussion will take place on **Tuesday, August 9, at 6 pm** in Room L4 at St. Mary. The book selected for August is *The Delight of Being Ordinary* by Roland Merullo. The author's "playful, eloquent, and life-affirming novel finds the Pope and the Dalai Lama teaming up for an unsanctioned road trip through the Italian countryside to rediscover the everyday joys of life that can seem, even for the two holiest men in the world, unattainable."

Looking ahead, the September 13 book will be: *Summer of Lost and Found* by Mary Alice Monroe. For more information, please contact Mary Schulz, 920-809-4474. New members are welcome to join anytime.

Church Chuckle

Three daughters were usually able to persuade their father to buy them ice cream right after church. One Sunday he protested, "Where does it say that you should always get something to eat and drink after church?" One of his daughters replied, "In the Bible it says, 'Blessed are those who hunger and thirst after righteousness.'"

ST JOSEPH PARISH

HABITAT FAITH BUILD

The Habitat Faith Build is back!! You have all shared your Treasure through St Joseph's donation to the Faith Build. Now it is time to share your Time and/or Talent! St. Joe's assigned day for the build in Little Chute is Monday, September 26th. We will be working on a 5 bedroom, 2 bathroom home installing cabinets and working on the stairs.

St Joe's needs 4 worker bees, 1 site support person (simple training available), and a meal provided for 15-20 people at lunch that day. You don't have to know anything about construction to work on the site! The senior crew will help you every step of the way! Register at the link below. The link will also be available on our St. Joe's website.

<https://foxcitieshabitat.volunteerhub.com/lp/stjosephcatholicchurch/>

If you would like to provide a portion of the lunch, please reach out to Sue Gallagher instead of registering online. Any questions please contact Sue Gallagher at susangallagher66@gmail.com or cell: 920-915-4922.

Thank you as always for all you do St Joe's - we are truly blessed!!

AARP Driver Safety Course

 AARP Driver Safety Course will be offered on August 17th from 10:00 am to 2:30 pm at St. Joseph Parish in Room 210. This is a 4-hour class with a 30 minute break for lunch. You can bring your own lunch. Call the Parish Office between 9 am and 3 pm to register at: 920-734-7195. There will be a COVID disclosure form to sign.

Please arrive 15 minutes early for registration. The cost of the class is \$20 for AARP members and \$25 for non-members. There are 16 slots available. Checks to AARP preferred, cash accepted on the date of the course. Enter the Parish Office doors on the East side of the building.

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