

# St. Joseph Church

October 15, 2023

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time

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## Vision

Enthusiasm and Love of God and Neighbor to inspire and encourage interpersonal relationships in the St. Joseph Faith Community in order that an atmosphere of sharing our faith, time, talent, treasure and hospitality will expand the Kingdom of God.

## Prayer

God of all peoples, how blessed we are to gather in faith at Eucharist, for it is in Your Word and Sacrament that we discover that we are the Community called the Body of Christ.

Our St. Joseph Parish Vision is filled with enthusiasm for loving God and neighbor because Your Kingdom expands, Creator Father, in an atmosphere of interpersonal relationships.

May we the members of St. Joseph Parish continue to grow in faith during our Pastoral Planning Process, so that our Parish Vision will be fulfilled as we discover that as parish we are Community in Christ.

Amen.

## Welcome, New Parishioners

Please register by calling or stopping in the parish office.

## Office Hours

Monday-Friday, 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM

## Parish Telephones

Parish Office:..... 219-865-2271

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## Staff Directory

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## Mass Schedule

### Weekend Masses

Saturday: 4:30 PM

Sunday: 8:00AM, 10:00AM, 6:00PM

### Weekday Masses

Mon, Tues, Wed., Thurs, Fri: 9:00 AM

### Holy Day Masses

Please see schedule inside bulletin.

## Sacramental Life

**Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)**

Saturday 3:00 to 4:00 PM

**Sacrament of Baptism**

12:00 Noon.

Arrangements must be made previously.

Instruction class for parents required.

**Sacrament of Marriage**

Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance.

**Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick**

Call the office any time.

## Knights of Columbus

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## Bulletin Deadline

Monday 12:00 Noon, *in writing.*

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**Monday, October 16, Weekday**

9:00 AM Martin Trombetta

Celebrant: Fr. Krolczyk

**Tuesday, October 17, St. Ignatius of Antioch**

9:00 AM Juan & Mauricia Corpuz

Celebrant: Fr. Peter

**Wednesday, October 18, St. Luke**

9:00 AM St. Joseph Parishioners

Celebrant: Fr. Peter

**Thursday, October 19, Sts. John de Brebeuf & Isaac Jogues**

9:00 AM Charles D. Novak

Celebrant: Fr. Peter

**Friday, October 20, Weekday**

9:00 AM Matthew Vojvodich

Celebrant: Fr. Peter

**Weekend Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, October 21, Vigil: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:30 PM Kevin Andrew Garza

Celebrant: Fr. Peter

**Sunday, October 22, 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM Dennis & PJ Rohe

Celebrant: Fr. Peter

10:00 AM Chester & Adeline Lakomek

Celebrant: Fr. Krolczyk

6:00 PM The People of the Parish

Celebrant: Fr. Peter

**Please Note!**

The November 2nd envelope for All Souls Day is marked as Memorial Donations.

All the money collected in those envelopes will go towards items needed for the altar or for vestments or anything to do with the liturgy. You still can put names of those on the envelopes and they will be put in a basket to be prayed for on that day and throughout the month of November.

**Special Mass on Thursday, November 2nd at 7:00pm for the Intention of the All Souls Memorial.**

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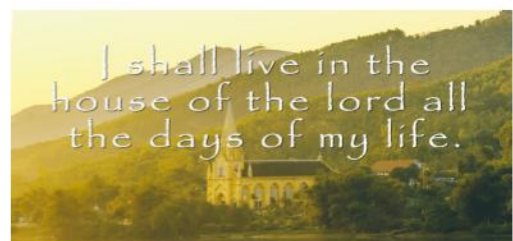
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**St. Joseph Men's Ministry**

The St. Joseph Men's Ministry will have their monthly gathering on Saturday, October 21. The morning will begin with 8:00am Mass, followed by breakfast and the presentation. Theme of this days presentation is: "Getting Clarity on the Mission." All Men are invited for a morning of prayer, fellowship and encounter. The morning will conclude at 10:30am.



### Traveling Vocation Cross

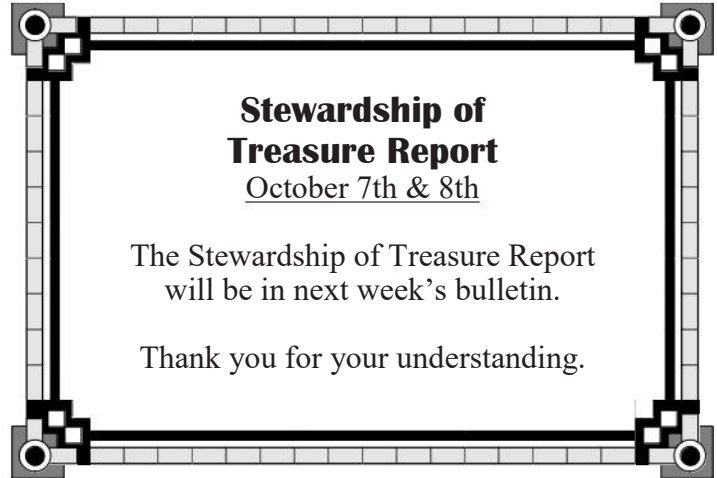
Vocations are a gift from God. We can help by offering prayers in support of those who are called to become a priest, religious sister, deacon or brother. These prayers may lead to vocations within our diocese and parish.

We are starting a Traveling Vocation Cross. **Starting in November**, families and individuals may bring our Vocation Cross home for a week and pray daily for vocations. A daily prayer booklet is included with the Vocation Cross. Praying from this booklet takes only several minutes a day. Your daily prayers make a difference; they help to water the seeds of a vocation planted by God.

*“The harvest is rich, but there are few laborers to gather it in. Beg the Lord of the Harvest to send laborers into the harvest.” - Matthew 9:37-38*

You may sign up to bring our Vocation Cross home for a week, and pray for vocations. Sign up sheets will be available at the back of the church after each weekend Mass during **October**. Lisa Makar is the coordinator of our Traveling Vocation Cross and will be available to help with sign ups.

Thank you in advance for your generous participation.

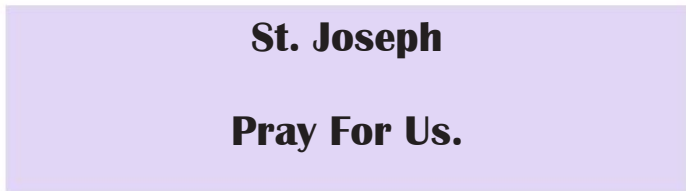


### Stewardship of Treasure Report

October 7th & 8th

The Stewardship of Treasure Report will be in next week’s bulletin.

Thank you for your understanding.



### St. Joseph

### Pray For Us.



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### Welcome to the following new parishioners of St. Joseph Parish:

- Richard & Cynthia Batka
- Brian & Stacy Ellis and Family
- Jill Hayhurst
- Christopher & Anna Marie Holben
- Barbara Januszewski
- Christine Klopp
- Maxine Lord
- Brian & Megan Miller and Family
- Elaine Nowak
- Laura Solivais
- Missael & Alejandra Villasenor and Family
- Roger & Danielle Wells and Family
- Robert Westhoff & Debra Shields

### Please Read!!!

St. Joseph Parish will have the first meeting of the **new Parish Life Ministry on Thursday, October 17th at 6:30pm in the Gathering Room**. This ministry will plan and execute events to bring our parish together, to spread the joy of living our faith; and to promote an atmosphere of vibrant catholic life at our parish. We all have a family member who has fallen away from our faith. With God’s grace & mercy, if our parish were more energetic, joyful & engaged would we not draw our lost ones home? Please come to share your ideas and talents and to help us in this worthy ministry.

**THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**

**Tuesday, October 17**

9:45am—50/50 Raffle  
 Drawing  
 9:45am—Gospel reflections in  
 Gathering Room immediately  
 after mass.  
 6:30pm—Parish Life Ministry meeting in  
 Gathering Room

**Wednesday, October 18**

10am-12noon—Food Pantry  
 Distribution  
 6:00-7:00pm—Food Pantry  
 Distribution

**Thursday, October 19**

6:00pm—Evening Prayer &  
 Holy Hour  
 6:30pm—Family Rosary

**Saturday, October 21**

8:00am Mass followed by breakfast &  
 presentation—Men’s Ministry

**Scripture Readings  
 For the Week of October 15, 2023**

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|--------------------------|--|
| <b>Sunday<br/>Time</b>   | <b>Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary</b><br>Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5- 6;<br>Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14 or<br>Mt 22:1-10                        |
| <b>Monday</b>            | <b>Memorial of St. Hedwig, Religious,<br/>Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin</b><br>Rom 1:1-7; Ps 98:1bcde, 2-3ab, 3cd-4;<br>Lk 11:29-32                 |
| <b>Tuesday</b>           | <b>Memorial of Saint Ignatius of Anti-<br/>och, Bishop and Martyr</b><br>Rom 1:16-25; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5;<br>Lk 11:37-41                                       |
| <b>Wednesday</b>         | <b>Feast of Saint Luke, Evangelist</b><br>2 Tm 4:10-17b; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17<br>-18; Lk 10:1-9   |
| <b>Thursday</b>          | <b>Memorial of Saints John de Brébeuf<br/>&amp; Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs</b><br>Rom 3:21-30; Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab;<br>Lk 11:47-54 |
| <b>Friday<br/>Priest</b> | <b>Memorial of St. Paul of the Cross,</b><br>Rom 4:1-8; Ps 32:1b-2, 5,11; Lk 12:1-7  |
| <b>Saturday</b>          | Rom 4:13, 16-18; Ps 105:6-7, 8-9, 42-<br>43; Lk 12:8-12  |
| <b>Sunday<br/>Time</b>   | <b>Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary</b><br>Is 45:1, 4-6; Ps 96:1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10; 1<br>Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21  |

**Weekly 50/50 Raffle**

**The Number Drawn on**

**October 3rd was #560**

**The Winner Would Have Won  
 \$842.50**

(This amount will be added to next week)

Drawings will be held every  
 Tuesday at 9:45am  
 in the Gathering Room

All registered members of St. Joseph Par-  
 ish are eligible for the 50/50 raffle. **YOU  
 MUST USE 2 SEPARATE ENVE-  
 LOPE FOR THE CURRENT WEEK  
 EVEN IF YOU ARE A MONTHLY,  
 ELECTRONIC, HOMEBOUND OR  
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 THE FIRST SUNDAY OF THE  
 MONTH AND INDICATING ON  
 EACH SUBSEQUENT WEEKLY EN-  
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 COLLECTION BASKET THAT YOU  
 ARE EITHER A MONTHLY, ELEC-  
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 amount and the preprinted 50/50 enve-  
 lope found in the pews with EXACTLY  
 \$5.00. If you are paying by check, you  
 must use **2 checks**, one for the weekly  
 treasure made out to St. Joseph Church  
 and the other check for \$5.00 for the  
 50/50 raffle made out to St. Joseph  
 Church—50/50 Raffle.

The 50/50 raffle envelope is to be put in  
 the collection along with your sacrificial  
 weekly treasure envelope

**Ministry Schedule**  
**October 21st & 22nd**

**Lectors**

4:30pm—  
8:00am—  
10:00am—  
6:00pm—

**Extraordinary Ministers**

4:30pm—Patty & Paul Jarzembowski, Judy Nowacki  
8:00am— Sisters  
10:00am—Dennis Bork, Art Tkacz, Jim Paolino  
6:00pm—Jill Hayhurst

**On Wednesday, October 25th** at 7:00 in the evening we are going to celebrate a Mass for the intention of our loved ones who have fallen away from the practice of the Faith. You will be invited to write on pieces of paper the names of friends and family who no longer practice the Catholic faith. Those papers will be gathered in a basket and brought to the altar along with the gifts of bread and wine. What more beautiful way can there be to pray for conversion of heart then through the Holy Eucharist? Please join us for this special opportunity.

**Are You Ready for the Feast?**

How married are you to the idea that Jesus is your Savior? How open are you to the invitation extended to everyone as Jesus died upon the Cross and then rose again, conquering sin and death? How prepared are you to RSVP and, more importantly, arrive prepared to enjoy the feast?

Jesus teaches with images those listening could relate to, meeting people where they are at. Maybe references to kings and shepherds don't speak directly to current circumstances but the lessons remain timeless. Today's Gospel includes an allegory of the King hosting a marriage feast for his Son. The bride in this story, represents the Church. We are to see ourselves among those called to the feast.

In Jesus' time, the practice for royal banquets was to first send out the messengers with an invitation, a Biblical times "save the date." Next, when the feast was ready, messengers were sent with a second summons to retrieve the invitees and let them know that the doors were open. Clean your face, don your finest apparel, and come enjoy the feast prepared for you.

We are called to the Kingdom of God, to a life of faith, and to inherit heaven, but sadly not all will be found worthy to possess it. Some people will flat out decline this generous offer with a myriad of excuses: busy with work, leisure, or a host of worldly endeavors. Some will accept the invitation but not follow through, perhaps due to ignorance or apathy. It is fascinating to contemplate people's reactions to the summons to the wedding feast. How often do we despise or disregard God's summons in our lives? How willing are we to take the time to prepare our hearts for the feast?

Do we come in our Sunday best to meet the King and His Son at Mass? Do we come ready not only on the outside but, more importantly, on the inside? Do we prepare our hearts to partake in the banquet of the Lord, the Eucharist? Have we looked over the Daily Readings, reflected on His Word, and the Gift of receiving Him in the Eucharist? Do we remember to ask for the Lord's blessing and for Him to bestow on us the grace necessary to be fully present in this grand celebration?

By Allison Gingras

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