

St. Joseph Church

December 5, 2021

Second Sunday of Advent

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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:..... 865-2271

Religious Education Office:

(At St. Michael the Archangel) 322-3077

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, Thurs, Fri: 9:00 AM

Holy Day Masses

Please see schedule inside bulletin.

Sacramental Life

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday 3:30 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

Grand Knight: Joseph David

Bulletin Deadline

Monday 12:00 Noon, in writing.

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Monday, December 6, Advent Weekday

9:00 AM Rosas Family

Celebrant: Fr. Krolczyk

Tuesday, December 7, St. Ambrose

9:00 AM Rita Kaczynski

Celebrant: Fr. Krolczyk

Tuesday, December 7, Vigil: Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00 PM Deceased Members of the Mateo

Guanzon Family

Celebrant: Fr. Krolczyk

Wednesday, December 8, Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00 AM Decembers of the Florence

Andrzejewski Family

Celebrant: Fr. Schweitzer

7:00 PM Lottie Rogers

Celebrant: Bishop Robert McClory

Thursday, December 9, Advent Weekday

9:00 AM Lorraine Golon

Celebrant: Fr. Nowak

Friday, December 10, Advent Weekday

9:00 AM Jule L. "Buddy" Bell, Jr.

Celebrant: Fr. McDaniel

Weekend Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 11, Vigil: 3rd Sunday of Advent

4:30 PM Gloria Kozlowski

Celebrant: Fr. Krolczyk

Sunday, December 12, 3rd Sunday of Advent

8:00 AM The People of the Parish

Celebrant: Fr. Nowak

10:00 AM Galvan Family

Celebrant: Fr. Nowak

6:00 PM Bev Martinez

Celebrant: Fr. McDaniel

Immaculate Conception to the Blessed Virgin Mary

St. Joseph Parish is honored to have Bishop Robert McClory celebrate the 7pm Mass on Wednesday, December 8th.

That evening there will be 26 parishioners who will be completing their 33 Days to Morning Glory Retreat by their Act of Consecration to Our Blessed Mother.

Liturgy of Hours in Advent

Starting Monday, November 29th, we will have Morning and Evening Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours celebrated in the church daily.

Morning Prayer—Monday—Friday at 6am

Evening Prayer—Monday—Friday at 6pm

Morning Prayer—Saturday & Sunday—9:00am

Evening Prayer—Saturday & Sunday—5:30pm

The Liturgy of the Hours is the praying of the Psalms and Scriptures as prayed daily by all priests and men & women religious throughout the world.

This is an opportunity for those with busy schedules throughout the week to spend some time in prayer at church before or after work.

St. Joseph Men's Ministry

The St. Joseph Men's Ministry meets every third Saturday of the month. Mornings start with Mass at 8:00am, followed by breakfast, prayer & fellowship. All programs end precisely at 10:30am. **This month the ministry will meet on December 18th.** This will be the Conclusion of "Excellence in Servant Leadership". Presenter: Dr. Jeremy D. Meuser.

Advent Giving Tree

St. Joseph Parish is giving Gift Cards for the Giving Tree recipients. We are asking as we did last year for any donations to help offset this cost. You can put your donation in the collection basket in an envelope marked "Advent Giving Tree", you can mail it in or you can bring it into the office.

Thank you for all your generosity now and through the year. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the parish office, 219-865-2271.

Sunday Readings Reflections 12/12/2021

First Reading — Shout for joy! Sing joyfully! Be glad and exult! The LORD, your God, is in your midst, a mighty savior (Zephaniah 3:14-18a).

Psalms — Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel (Isaiah 12).

Second Reading — Rejoice! The Lord is near. Make your requests known to God (Philippians 4:4-7).

Gospel — John tells his hearers to share their possessions with the needy; be honest; do not threaten or accuse others falsely (Luke 3:10-18).

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A DEEP CHANGE OF HEART

When John proclaimed a baptism of repentance, as today's Gospel relates, he called people to a deep change of heart. For John the Baptist, repentance was not simply regret for past failings, but a commitment to orient life around God's desires and purposes. What might living in alignment with God's desires look like? Our readings offer some clues. Baruch indicates that when mercy and justice are embraced like a royal garment, we may see the fruits of repentance. Paul notes how the Holy Spirit has been active within the church in Philippi, forming them to live in a loving and united community of faith, so they may witness to the love of God. And John himself suggests that a repentant heart clears a path for God to enter, leveling the mountains and valleys of our resistance, so that God might dwell within.

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Stewardship of Treasure Report

November 20th & 21st

Weekly Budget Amount Needed:
\$6051.00

**Weekly Sunday Treasure Amount
Collected:** \$4417.10

Charity: \$0

Religious Education: \$0

Campaign for Human Develop.:
\$272.00

Food Pantry: \$875.00

50/50 Raffle: \$120.00

Stewardship of Treasure Report

November 27th & 28th

Weekly Budget Amount Needed: \$6051.00

**Weekly Sunday Treasure Amount
Collected:** \$5605.78

Charity: \$262.00

Religious Education: \$9.00

Immaculate Conception: \$55.00

Food Pantry: \$365.00

50/50 Raffle: \$125.00

Helping Hands Food Pantry

If you would like to donate food for December, the Pantry could use **Baking Goods**, such as sugar, flour, salt, baking soda, baking powder, chocolate chips, and any other baking (non-perishable) item you use. Thank You.

Feelers for Dealers

Knights of Columbus Council 8082 in Dyer is in need of dealers for our upcoming Vegas Night at St. Joe's on April 30, 2022. If you can deal blackjack and can spare a few hours for a night of fun and food for the parish, please contact Joe David at 219-789-9075.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday, December 6

6:00am—Morning Prayer in church

6:00pm—Evening Prayer in church

Tuesday, December 7

6:00am—Morning Prayer in church

9:45am—50/50 Raffle Drawing

9:45am—Gospel reflections in
Gathering Room

immediately after mass

6:00pm—Evening Prayer in church

7:00pm—Vigil Mass of the

Immaculate Conception

Wednesday, December 8

6:00am—Morning Prayer in church

9:00am—Mass of the Immaculate
Conception

6:00pm—Evening Prayer in church

7:00pm—Mass of the Immaculate
Conception

Thursday, December 9

6:00am—Morning Prayer in church

6:00pm—Evening Prayer in church

6:00pm—Year of St. Joseph
Holy Hour

6:30pm—Family Rosary

Friday, December 10

6:00am—Morning Prayer in church

6:00pm—Evening Prayer in church

Saturday, December 11

9:00am—Morning Prayer in church

4:30pm—Mass

5:30pm—Evening Prayer in church

Sunday, December 12

8:00am—Mass

9:00am—Morning Prayer in church

10:00am—Mass

5:30pm—Evening Prayer in church

6:00pm—Mass

Weekly 50/50 Raffle

The Number Drawn on

November 23rd was #127

The Winner Would Have Won \$692.50

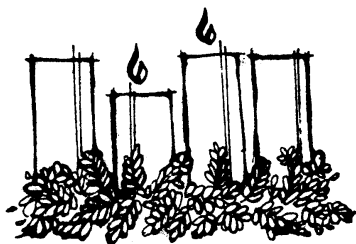
(This amount will be added to next week)

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

All registered members of St. Joseph Parish are eligible for the 50/50 raffle. **YOU MUST USE 2 SEPARATE ENVELOPES FOR THE CURRENT WEEK EVEN IF YOU ARE A MONTHLY, ELECTRONIC, HOMEBOUND OR WEEKLY CONTRIBUTOR. ALL CONTRIBUTORS MENTIONED PREVIOUSLY MUST MAKE THEIR SACRIFICIAL CONTRIBUTION BY THE FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH AND INDICATING ON EACH SUBSEQUENT WEEKLY ENVELOPE THAT IS PLACED IN THE COLLECTION BASKET THAT YOU ARE EITHER A MONTHLY, ELECTRONIC OR HOMEBOUND CONTRIBUTOR.**

You must use your current weekly treasure envelope with your sacrificial amount and the pre-printed 50/50 envelope 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



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FORGIVENESS

God forgives like a mother who kisses the offense into everlasting forgiveness.

—Henry Ward Beecher

Ministry Schedule December 11th & 12th

Lectors

4:30pm—
8:00am—
10:00am—
6:00pm—

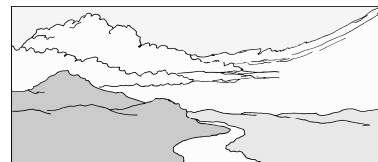
Extraordinary Ministers

4:30pm—
8:00am—
10:00am—
6:00pm—

Ministry Schedule December 11th & 12th

Cantors

4:30pm—
8:00am—
10:00am—
6:00pm—



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STRENGTH AND COURAGE

Prayer infuses the weak with strength and the fainthearted with courage.

—Anonymous

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God has commanded
that every lofty mountain be made low.
—Baruch 5:7

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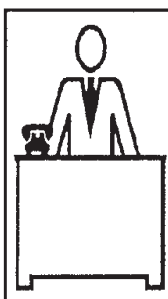
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