

MOTHER'S DAY
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Parish Stewardship for 2021-2022

Weekly amount budgeted for 2021-2022 \$3,365.00
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 CSA 2022 Campaign Parish Goal \$32,404.00
 CSA pledges to date \$21,135.00

Thank you for your continued support to St. Joseph Church.



"Pray the Rosary
 everyday to obtain peace for the
 world." Join us
 at St. Joseph Church each
 Tuesday at 6 pm

**Baptismal Training Sessions for May and June**

May 19 7 pm St. Mary's, St. Marys 781-1019
 June 7 7 pm St. Leo, Ridgway 772-3135
 July 5 7 pm...St. Joseph, Force787-4151



Your prayers are requested for the repose of the
 soul of **Victoria (Vicki) Peters** who passed away
 Tuesday, May 3. May she rest in peace. Amen.

St. Joseph "Prayer Chain"

If there is someone who could use the prayers of our Parish,
 please call Gina at 814-787-7593.

"Care & Concern" Do you know someone who would like
 to be remembered with a card or note?
 Call 814-787-4151 #3.

Today we take a moment to recognize the Catechists who
 share so much of themselves with all ages of children and
 youth at St. Joseph.

The Faith Formation Program Catechists were

K/1st—Becky Secco who will be leaving;
2nd— Emma Gavazzi (who will be leaving for college);
3rd — Becky Bricen; 4th/5th—Bethany Prince;
8th/9th/10th — Tracey Phillips;

Many thanks to our **catechist substitute — Julia Rollick**
 and **Sunday morning office help — Lena Gavazzi.**



Instructors for our Conformandi were
Father Mark and Eric Blythe.

Remember to Thank your child's teacher!

The children of St. Joseph need **YOU!**
 Become a catechist at St. Joseph Church.
 Prayerfully consider joining our team of
 teachers who share the Love of Jesus
 with our children in Grade 2. Teaching
 is a great opportunity for all to learn!

Thank You to all who made a Rice Bowl donation. Your Lenten
 sacrifices are improving the lives of many. The Rice Bowls are a
 wonderful way to share God's Love with our brothers and sisters
 around the world who have so little. Twenty-five percent of the
 Rice Bowl donations will be used in our Erie Diocese; the
 remaining seventy-five percent will help support Catholic
 programs worldwide. You may still make Rice Bowl donations.

The St. Bernard Church, Falls Creek, **Famous Spaghetti**
Dinner will have its last dinner of the season on Sunday,
 May 15 from 10 am-1 pm or until sold out. The spaghetti
 dinner for May is *dine-in or take-out*. Please bring your own
 container for take-out.

**Mothers Given
 as Real-Life Examples**

A mother whose husband has died: She has two jobs
 to support her family. She takes college courses part-
 time and eventually finishes her teaching degree and is
 able to be with her children more often, especially as
 they have their summers off.

A mother who is sad and cries for her children
 because of the bad choices they make in life and feels
 responsible for that happening.

A mother who prepares the Sunday dinner for all the
 family members notices that she needs to enlist a few
 of her adult children to help her because of her
 advancing years.

A mother who is also a grandmother and a great-
 grandmother waits patiently for her busy family to
 visit her in the nursing home. She is pleasantly
 surprised when they come to visit her, and especially
 on Mother's Day!

My friends, the examples of these mothers are women
 who have been enlightened as to what they need to do
 and what they need to pray for so that their real-life
 situations would be better and happier. Our mother is
 so very important to us. Whether our mother is young
 or old, or in Heaven with our Lord Jesus, she will
 always be so very important to each of us.

Like the situations of the mothers listed above, our
 mother has her own unique story of life. The many
 mothers who chose to pray through life's challenges
 and trusting in God are like the great multitude of
 people the "Book of Revelations" describes in this
 weekend's Second Reading as people, "before the
 Lamb wearing white robes and holding palm branches
 in their hands" (Rev 7:9b). Some of our mothers are like
 the "ones who have survived the time of great
 distress." (Rev 7:14)

With a strong faith in God, our mother has taught us
 about life's lessons and about God. She has cheered
 us on in times of success; and in challenging times she
 has encouraged us to pray and trust in God. May each
 of us strive to follow her faith-filled example for our
 lives.

I wish all mothers, those who have been like
 mothers, all grandmothers, and all great-great grand-
 mothers a very, very **Happy Mother's Day!**

God Bless,
 Father Mark



We Celebrate, We Listen, We Pray

Date	Intention	Requested by	Celebration	Scriptures
Monday, May 9, 2022 8:30 a.m. Mass	Marguerite Cortina (birthday)	Robert Cortina, Jr.	Easter Weekday	Acts 11:1-18 Jn 10:1-10
Tuesday, May 10, 2022 8:30 a.m. Mass	Agnes Caliri	Family	Saint Damien de Veuster, Priest	Acts 11:19-26 Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday, May 11, 2022 No Mass			Easter Weekday	Acts 12:24—13:5a Jn 12:44-50
Thursday, May 12, 2022 8:30 a.m. Mass	Matthew P. Levanduski (birthday)	grandmother Josephine	Saints Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs, Saint Pancras, Martyr	Acts 13:13-25 Jn 13:16-20
Friday, May 13, 2022 8:30 a.m. Mass	Blessed Mother's Intentions	Parishioners	Our Lady of Fatima	Acts 13:26-33 Jn 14:1-6
Saturday, May 14, 2022 No Mass			Saint Matthias, Apostle	Acts 1:15-17, 20-26 Jn 15:9-17
Saturday, May 14, 2022 5:30 p.m. Mass	Matthew Lovenduski (birthday)	Tim Lovenduski –father	Vigil of Fifth Sunday of Easter	(see below)
Sunday, May 8, 2022 9:15 a.m. Mass	Living and Deceased Parishioners	John and Michele Castellani	Fourth Fifth of Easter	Acts 14:21-27 Rv 21:1-5a Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

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Church Hours: **St. Joseph Church: Sun. 7:30 am — 4 pm; Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri. 8 am — 4 pm; Sat. 9:00 am — 7 pm**Office Email: stjosephforce@windstream.net Website: www.stjosephforce.org Faith Formation Email: stjosephforceff@windstream.net**OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

LITURGY SCHEDULE**Saturday Vigil:** 5:30 p.m.; **Sunday:** 9:15 a.m.; **Holy Days:** 9:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.; **Daily:** Mon., Tues., Thur., Fri. 8:30 a.m., No Mass Wednesday**BULLETIN INFORMATION**

Groups or individuals wishing to have information published in the bulletin are asked to submit the information in writing, by email or by phone by Monday at 10:00 a.m.

SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION**Baptism** – A baptism preparation session is required of all parents wishing to have their child(ren) baptized. Parents must be registered parishioners. Sessions are held periodically at parishes throughout the Deanery. It is always preferred that baptisms be celebrated during a regular Sunday Liturgy. Call the Parish office for more information.**Eucharist** – Children preparing for Eucharist (Gr. 3) and who are active in the Faith Formation process (including Catholic School children) are eligible to enter the sacramental preparation sessions.**Confirmation** – High School youth who are entering the 11th grade and who are active in the Faith Formation process or attend a Catholic High School since 9th grade are eligible to enter the Confirmation preparation sessions.**R.C.I.A.** – Rite of Christian Initiation for adults are initiated into the Church through this process. Any individual who may be interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Church is invited. Please call the Church office.**SACRAMENTS OF VOCATION****Priesthood/Permanent Diaconate** – Men who feel that they may be being called to the vocational life of Priesthood or Diaconate can contact the pastor at any time or call the Diocesan Vocation Office at 814-824-1111.**Matrimony** – There is a required preparation process which normally includes 3 sessions with the pastor and an Engagement Encounter or Nova experience. Please notify the pastor at least 6 months prior to the anticipated date of marriage.**SACRAMENTS OF HEALING****Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick**—Celebrated for all who are seriously ill annually at a parish Liturgy. The Sacrament is also available upon request.**Reconciliation** – The sacrament is celebrated weekly on Saturday from 4:45 – 5:15 p.m., or anytime by request. Parish Penance services are celebrated during Advent and Lent. Children preparing for Reconciliation (Gr. 2) and who are active in the Faith Formation process (including Catholic School children) are eligible to enter the sacramental preparation sessions.

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