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Weekly amount budgeted for 2020-2021 . . . \$3,462.00  
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 CSA 2021 Campaign Parish Goal . . . \$33,199.00  
 CSA 2021 Total Pledged . . . \$21,030.00  
 CSA 2021 Total Pledged Amount Received . . . \$16,275.00

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“Pray the Rosary everyday to obtain peace for the world.”  
 Join us at St. Joseph Church each Tuesday at 6:00 pm.

There will be **No Mass only Communion Service** on the following days :

**Tuesday, June 22**  
**Thursday, June 24**

8:30 a.m. Mass will continue on Friday, June 25

**Baptismal Training Session Schedule:**

July 6	7:00 p.m.	St. Joseph	Force	814-787-4151
Aug. 10	6:30 p.m.	St. Mark	Emporium	814-486-0569
Sept.7	7:00 p.m.	Queen of the World	St. Marys	834-4701



Please remember to contribute to the cemetery fund. It is your donation that enables our church to maintain the attractive appearance of the grounds for our loved ones who have passed.



Thank you for your continual support for the Food Bank. The food donation delivered to the Christian Bank in St. Marys which includes our area as well.



**St. Joseph “Prayer Chain”** If there is someone who could use the prayers of our Parish, please call Gina at 787-7593. **“Care & Concern”** Do you know someone who would like to be remembered with a card or note? Call 814-787-4151 #3

**Do you want your home to be blest** with the images of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary? Coming soon the *Home Enthronement House Blessing Prayer Service* will be offered to all parishioners of St. Joseph Church. Additional information will be forthcoming in my message next weekend.

**In the Area:**

**Bethany Retreat Center** located in Frenchville is a quiet peaceful place to rest, renew and be recreated for those seeking a deeper relationship with God. Bethany offers a wide variety of directed retreats that include Centering Prayer, Health & Wellness, Grief Recovery and more. They also offer Personal Retreats where you can get away from the cares of everyday life and focus on your faith journey. To learn more visit their website at [www.bethanyretreatcenter.org](http://www.bethanyretreatcenter.org) or call 814-263-4855. “God is Spoken Here.”



**Saint Joseph**  
**(the Best Example for Fathers)**

My brothers and sisters, today on Father’s Day we are celebrating a **Diocesan Day in Honor of Saint Joseph**. The purpose of this celebration is to emphasize the fatherhood of Saint Joseph

The Readings for Mass have been chosen for this celebration in order for all of us to see and hear about the openness to God’s plan of salvation and the obedient faith needed to follow through with God’s plan.

In the Book of Genesis, we hear about the openness and obedience of Joseph, the youngest son of Israel, who was open to the dream God gave him and shared it with his family. In a like manner in the Second Reading, Saint Paul describes the openness of Abraham, who in obedient faith to God became the “father of many nations.” (Romans 4:18)

Finally, in our Gospel Reading we hear that Joseph the husband of the Blessed Mother Mary was about to divorce Her quietly because “she was found with child.” (Matthew 1:18) Joseph was told by the angel in a dream to “not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the Holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in Her. She will bear a Son and you are to name Him Jesus, because He will save His people from their sins.” (Matthew 1:20b-21)

In this Scripture passage alone we hear of the openness of God’s plan of salvation and the obedient faith that St. Joseph had even in the midst of his fears in taking Mary as his wife. Fathers today can see in St. Joseph the only lasting good choice is to trust in God’s plan for their life and the life of their wife and family. Fathers, even in the midst of hardships, misunderstandings, illness and in every human need, are called to trust in God..

St. Joseph is also both a brave person and one who accompanies his wife during times of anxiety and distress. We read in another Gospel story after Jesus’s birth that Joseph had to take Mary and the baby Jesus to Egypt when Herod was seeking to kill the infant. It took a brave husband and father along with his wife and child to make that journey, and then eventually to go back to Israel.

Fathers then and in this day and age need to protect their family from all harm and evil intrusions as when St. Joseph was often a source of consolation for Mary. When there is pain of loss and other issues within the family, the father needs to be a calm listener in the midst of the drama and then prayerfully take the most prudent steps in resolving the problems.

Fathers, on this your day take some time to plan how you can become more open and obedient to God; where courage is needed in your life; and know that God loves you. I sincerely wish you a very blessed Father’s Day.  
 God Bless, Father Mark



# We Celebrate, We Listen, We Pray

Date	Intention	Requested by	Celebration	Scriptures
Monday, June 21, 2021 8:30 a.m. Mass	Helen M. Lovenduski	Leonard—husband	St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious	Gn 12:1-9 Mt &:1-5
Tuesday, June 22, 2021 No Mass	<b>Communion Service Only</b>		St. Paulinas of Nola, Bishop St. John Fisher, Bishop And Thomas More, Martyrs	Gn 13:2, 5-18 Mt 7:6, 12-14
Wednesday, June 23, 2021 No Mass			Weekday	Gn 15:1-12, 17-18 Mt 7:15-20
Thursday, June 24, 2021 No Mass	<b>Communion Service Only</b>		The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist	Is 49:1-6 Acts 13:22-26 Lk 1:57-66, 80
Friday, June 25, 2021 8:30 a.m. Mass	The Holy Souls in Purgatory		Weekday	Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22 Mt *:1-4
Saturday, June 26, 2021			Weekday	Gn 18:1-15 Mt 8:5-17
Saturday, June 26, 2021 5:30 p.m. Mass	Vincent & Mary Ann Brunelli (wedding anniversary)	The Pyne and Brunelli Families	Vigil of the Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	(See below)
Sunday, June 27, 2021 9:15 a.m. Mass	Living and Deceased Parishioners		Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Wis 1:13-15, 2:23-24 2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15 Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43

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**STAFF**

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**Church Hours**

St. Joseph Church: Sun., Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri. 7:30 am — 4 pm; Wed. 8 am — 4 pm; Sat. 9:00 am — 7 pm  
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**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 11<sup>th</sup> grade and who are active in the Faith Formation process or attend a Catholic High School since 9<sup>th</sup> 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 Deaconate** – Men who feel that they may be being called to the vocational life of Priesthood or Deaconate 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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