



Third Sunday of Lent

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Please remember your prayers for the unborn these 40 Days!

Individually-prayed Novena to St. Joseph will begin this Thursday, March 11 thru the Feast Day of St. Joseph on March 19.
 Let us pray this Novena together as a Parish in this Year of St. Joseph in honor of him.



 The Rosary will be prayed each Tuesday at 6:00 pm in the Church. Join us.



Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of Melvin Bauer (father of our catechist Denene Smith) who passed away February 18. May he rest in peace. Amen.

March 7th — Confirmation Classes will be held in the social hall from 10:30-12:30. Lesson 17: *“Who’s Calling?”* & Lesson 18: *“Are You Talking to Me?”* will be discussed.
Faith Formation Class Update: Our next in-person class will be March 14. Please remember this is the time for the Rice bowl donations! Anyone needing a rice bowl can find them in the vestibule or come to the church office.
First Communion Parents: There will be a meeting on March 7th from 9:30-10:30 at the Faith Formation Center. If you are unable to attend, please call Mary-787-4151 #5.



St. Joseph Fish/Shrimp Dinners are selling! Order a Haddock fillet or Fantail Shrimp dinner and enjoy not having to cook this Friday. **Take-out only from Noon thru 6:30 pm (or until sold out).** The dinners can be ordered in advance at **787-4151 #6** on the day of the dinner or if you forgot to order by phone, just stop by and order at the parking lot booth between the hours given.

All dinners are \$12.00.

Dessert Donations in monetary form or store-bought are requested and needed for the Lenten Dinners. Please call Kelly at 787-5743 for information regarding a donation. Thank you for your kind generosity.

St Leo Church is having Fish and Shrimp Fries on Fridays during Lent (2/19-3/26) from 4:30-6:30. Eat-in at St Leo Social Hall or Take-out. Fish Dinner is \$12 — Shrimp Dinner is \$14. To order call 772-4705 after 3 pm. Dinner includes potato or fries; cole slaw, apple sauce, roll; dessert.

St. Joseph Website
 Saturday and Sunday Masses at our church have resumed. Recorded Mass at this time will not be available until Holy Week Services due to technical adjustment. Please refer to the website for updates and the bulletin. Website: stjosephforce.org



Lenten and Life Spiritual Exercise
 The Ten Commandments

How well are we all living the Ten Commandments? Take this time to reflect and correct every area of life that is not living out these commandments in the way God intended. (Exodus 20:1-17)

1. “I, the Lord, am you God. You shall not have other gods besides Me.” Do we spend too much time caring or worrying about the things in our life that control our life, or too much pleasure in selfish pursuits? Do we strive to put God first in our lives instead of things?
2. “You shall not take the Name of the Lord your God in vain.” Do we swear in taking God’s Name? Or, are we exercising self-control in the midst of anger?
3. “Remember to keep Holy the Sabbath Day?” For us Catholics Christians, we all know that Sunday is the special day of the Lord we keep holy. Even though Sunday Mass is not obligatory at this time because of the pandemic, are we spending some good time in prayer like the Rosary, reading Sacred Scripture, having family prayer intentions or the Spiritual Communion Prayer?
4. “Honor your father and your mother.” Are children obeying and respecting parents? Are younger adults respecting and taking their parents advice and guidance? Are all adults taking special care and concern of their elderly parents? Are all of us at any age respecting the elderly people in society, nursing homes, etc...?
5. “You shall not kill.” This commandment not only forbids anyone to outright take another person’s life but also forbids everyone in planning or assisting anyone else in ending another person’s life. None of us has physically killed anyone we will say, but have we killed someone’s spirit by discouraging them unfairly, bullying them or hurting someone in any way?

This Season of Lent is a perfect time to review these Ten Commandments of which I will complete next weekend.

Year of Saint Joseph

The Catholic Church is celebrating this *Year of Saint Joseph*. We are given a special novena to use in celebration of this special time by asking Saint Joseph’s intercessory prayers for our own church, for our diocese, and for the Catholic Church throughout the world. To participate in the Novena starting March 11, just follow the daily Scripture Passages and prayers which are in the Novena booklet included.

God Bless, Father Mark

We Celebrate, We Listen, We Pray

Date	Intention	Requested by	Celebration	Scriptures
Monday, March 8, 2021 8:30 a.m. Mass	Gretchen Smith	Special Intention	Saint John of God, Religious	2 Kgs 5:1-15ab Lk 4:24-30
Tuesday, March 9, 2021 8:30 a.m. Mass	Father Robert Kerner	Father Mark	Saint Frances of the Rome, Religious	Dn 3:25, 34-43 Mt 18:21-35
Wednesday, March 10, 2021			Lenten Weekday	Dt 4:1, 5-9 Mt 5:17-19
Thursday, March 11, 2021 8:30 a.m. Mass	Living and Deceased Members of the Glenn and Elda Benigni Family and Deborah Dillon	Family	Lenten Weekday	Jer 17:23-28 Lk 11:14-23
Friday, March 12, 2021 8:30 a.m. Mass	George Chiodo	Terri—wife and Children	Lenten Weekday	Hos 14:2-10 Mk 12:28-34
Saturday, March 13, 2021 No Mass			Lenten Weekday	Hos 6:1-16 Lk 18:9-14
Saturday, March 13, 2021 5:30 p.m. Mass	Living and Deceased Parishioners		Vigil of the Fourth Sunday of Lent	(See below)
Sunday, March 14, 2021 9:15 a.m. Mass	Charles, Clara and William Tyler and the Tyler Family	Lamont and Frances Gray	Fourth Sunday of Lent	2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23 Eph 2:4—10 Jn 3:14-21

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CHURCH HOURS

St. Joseph Church will be open Sun., Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri. 7:30 am — 4 pm; Wed. 8 am — 4 pm; Sat. 9:00 am — 7 pm

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday9:00 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 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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