



## 33<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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"It will lead to your giving testimony. Remember, you are not to prepare your defense beforehand, for I myself shall give you a wisdom in speaking that all your adversaries will be powerless to resist or refute." - Lk 21:13-15

**Parish Stewardship for 2021-2022**

Weekly amount budgeted for 2021-2022 . . . . . \$3,365.00  
 Offertory collection 10/31 thru 11/7/22 . . . . . \$5,459.00  
 CSA 2022 Campaign Parish Goal . . . . . \$32,404.00  
 CSA pledges as of 11/7/2022. . . . . \$23,835.00

Thank you for supporting St. Joseph



“Pray the Rosary everyday to obtain peace for the world.” Join us in St. Joseph Church each Tuesday 6 p.m.



**Pope’s Intention:** We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family.

*Rest in Peace* Your prayers are requested for the soul of **Ruth Cameroni** who passed on October 22 and for the soul of **Irene Gregori** who passed on October 31. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Join us in St. Joseph Church for an evening of worship every Monday evening at 7:00 pm. We will have Adoration, Exposition, and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

**CONFIRMATION**

This Sunday, November 13th, the young adults in grades 10 & 11 will be enrolled into the final stage of our Confirmation Program. The students will continue to prepare for the challenges and responsibilities of full membership into the Church. Please keep our Confirmation candidates, their sponsors, and parents in your prayers.

**Baptismal Training for November**  
 November 29 7:00 pm St. Marys, St. Marys 781-1019

**St. Joseph Committee Schedule**  
 Parish Council Monday, December 5 3:00 p.m.

*Choir* **Choir Practice every Thursday at 6:00 pm.**  
 New voices are always welcomed!

News in the Area



**Sacred Heart Social Committee Thanksgiving Roll Sale.**  
 Pre-order only - limited number. Cost \$10 each. Call Parish Office at 814-834-7861 #1. Pick-up November 23rd. - 2pm-5pm.



**Concert Choir of Elk County** presents “Christmas is Coming” Tuesday, November 29 at St. Leo Magnus, Ridgway. There will also be a performance on Saturday, December 3rd at Sacred Heart Church, St. Marys. Both performances will be at 7:30 pm. No Admittance charge/free will offering. Questions? Call Lois at 814-835-2321.

**St. Bernard Church, Falls Creek, Spaghetti Dinner** will be 11/20. Dinner will be in the dining hall & take-out will be available from 11 am –1pm or until sold out. Meatballs/ sauce only available for take-out 11/19 after 4:30 pm Mass & 11/20 after 8 am Mass.



**The Second Reading at Mass and Saint Clare of Assisi and Her Eucharistic Miracle**

In continuation of the Liturgy of the Word is the **Second Reading at Mass** that I will share at this time. The Second Reading at Mass is proclaimed after the Psalm Response and before the Gospel. The Second Reading is only read at Mass on Sundays and on Holy Days. The Second Reading includes the following *Letters and Books* of the New Testament in the Bible: **Acts of the Apostles and the Letters to the following Christian communities as well as to certain people: Romans, Corinthians, Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, Thessalonians, Timothy, Titus, Philemon, Hebrews, James, Peter, John, Jude and the Book of Revelations.**

Most of the time, the Second Reading at Mass is taken from the above Letters from St. Paul when he admonishes, consoles, and directs the Christians of the early Church in each one of those communities.

It is very important for us to know the situation of those first Christian Communities and the Teachings of St. Paul about family life, marriage, the leaders, and the teaching about Jesus our Lord. This is relevant to us today as Dr. Ed Sri writes in his book: “We find our own story in their story. For the Church we encounter in the Second Reading is the same Church today.” (Dr. Ed Sri, *The Mass*, Page 78.)

May each of us take time to reflect on how these wise words of the Second Reading at Mass can help and our life of faith in the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

God Bless, Father Mark

**Saint Clare of Assisi and Her Eucharistic Miracle**

We all know of Saint Francis of Assisi, well, Saint Clare of Assisi was a friend of Saint Francis who along with several other women became the first nuns (religious sisters) of the Franciscan Order.

As the story goes, eventually, Sister Clare became the Mother Superior of the Order. At this particular time of the history of Italy, there were attacks by invaders in certain towns and villages. The Emperor Fredrick II of Sweden ordered Saracen soldiers to attack the city of Assisi. In his book The History of St. Clare, Tommaso da Celano describes basically that as the Saracen soldiers were approaching the convent to attack it, Saint Clare held high the Monstrance with a consecrated Host of our Lord incased inside toward the Saracen soldiers. Immediately, they turned around and ran away. The Risen Lord protected them from any further attempts of invaders. This is another Eucharistic Miracle.

# We Celebrate, We Listen, We Pray

Date	Intention	Requested by	Celebration	Scriptures
Monday, November 14, 2022 8:30 a.m. Mass	Blessed Mother's Intentions	Parishioners	Weekday	Rv 1:1-4, 2: 1-5 Lk 18: 35-43
Tuesday, November 15, 2022 8:30 a.m. Mass	Roseann Liptak	Frank Michelini	Saint Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church	Rv 3: 1-6, 14-22 Lk 19: 1-10
Wednesday, November 16, 2022 No Mass			Saint Margaret of Scotland, Saint Gertrude, Virgin	Rv 4: 1-11 Lk 19: 11-28
Thursday, November 17, 2022 No Mass	No Communion Service		Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious	Rv 5: 1-10 Lk 19: 41-44
Friday, November 18, 2022 No Mass	No Communion Service		Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin	Rv 10: 8-11 Lk 19: 45-48
Saturday, November 19, 2022 No Mass			Weekday	Rv 11: 4-12 Lk 20: 27-40
Saturday, November 19, 2022 5:30 p.m. Mass	Living and Deceased Parishioners		The Vigil of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe	(see below)
Sunday, November 20, 2022 9:15 a.m. Mass	Deceased Members of the Seduski and Van Horn Families	Vern and Dorothy Van Horn	Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe	2 Sm 5: 1-3 Col 1: 12-20 Lk 23: 35-43

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Rev. Mark J. Mastrian..... Pastor  
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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**

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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 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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PARISHIONER INFORMATION

All practicing Catholics living in the Bennetts Valley Area who consider themselves members of St. Joseph Parish should be registered in the parish. All registered members of St. Joseph receive envelopes and receive periodic parish mailings. St. Joseph Parish is a Sacrificial Giving Parish, committed to serving the Lord with God-given time, talents and treasures. All registered members should be using their envelopes regularly. Parish membership is required to be a sponsor, to be married in the parish, to have a child baptized or to be registered in our Faith Formation program. Please call the church office to arrange a meeting to register in our parish.