



# 7<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

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Jesus prayed saying: "Holy Father, I pray not only for them,  
but also for those who will believe in me through their word."

- Jn 17:20



**Parish Stewardship for 2021-2022**

Weekly amount budgeted for 2021-2022 ..... \$3,365.00  
 Offertory from May 16 thru May 23 ..... \$1,436.00  
 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 Fatima  
 Shrine each Tuesday at 6 pm

**Baptismal Training Sessions for May, June, and July**

June 7 7 pm St. Leo, Ridgway .. 772-3135  
 July 5 ..... 7 pm... St. Joseph, Force..... 787-4151  
 August 11 6:30 pm Mark, Emporium 486-0569

**Church Office will be closed for Memorial Day.  
 The Office will reopen Tuesday, May 31 at 9:00 am.**

**Celebrated Masses on Memorial Day:** Monday, May 30th  
 Mass will be held in our cemetery at 9:00 am (weather per-  
 mitting). On Tuesday, May 31st, Mass at 8:30 am will be  
 celebrated in St. Joseph Church. Also, on Tuesday, May  
 31st there will be Mass celebrated at 5:00 pm at St. Cecilia  
 Cemetery in Benezette. Following this 5:00 Mass will be a  
 reception hosted by Barb and Jim Betta at their camp.

**Memorial Day Monday there will be NO Adoration but  
 Adoration will resume Monday, June 6 at 7:00 p.m.**



Your prayers are requested for the soul of **JoAnn  
 Klaiber** who passed away May 21. May she rest in  
 Peace. Amen.

**Memorial Day Schedule for American Legion Post 978  
 Honor Guard Salute**

<b>Mt. Zion</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>Gardner Hill</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>
<b>Benezette</b>	<b>9:30 am</b>	<b>Force</b>	<b>11:00 am</b>
<b>Caledonia</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Hollywood</b>	<b>11:15 am</b>
<b>Weedville</b>	<b>10:15 am</b>	<b>Penfield</b>	<b>11:30 am</b>

**Always Remember our Veterans**

**Congratulations to Elijah Rippey, Augustus Secco and  
 Owen Smith** who received their Eagle Scout Award at a  
 special ceremony at St. Joseph Social Hall on Sunday,  
 April 3, 2002. Each candidate had to complete a final  
 project in order to become an Eagle Scout. Eli's project  
 was building and installing walking bridges at Browns  
 Run; Augie's project was installing a new Bose Sound  
 System in St. Joseph Church; and Owen's project was  
 restoring the Gray Hill Cemetery by replacing  
 the fencing, clearing the brush and putting in  
 a new bench. We are proud of them and  
 thank them for their commitment to scouting  
 and in earning this award!



**Big June Giveaway! 4 Winners/3 Months Free BINGO**  
 Sacred Heart Super BINGO, June 3—doors open at 4 pm.  
 Free lunch at 5:30 pm Gift Certificates available.

**Coming Together and Celebrating**

We all come together and celebrate signifi-  
 cant events throughout the year especially during the  
 holidays. This special time of the year many people  
 come together to celebrate graduations, weddings,  
 anniversaries and family reunions. Most often our  
 continual celebrations and gathering may happen once  
 a week for a large dinner at grandma and grandpa's  
 house, and of course, special gatherings for annual  
 birthday parties. Celebrating together at these kinds  
 of gatherings were happy and joyful times.

Coming together and being ready to celebrate  
 Jesus's gifts to each of us is the emphasis of our  
 Second Reading from the Book of Revelation in this  
 Sunday's Readings. The Apostle John writes the  
 Words of Jesus's Message to His loved ones, His  
 Bride the Church. The word *come (coming)* is used  
 six times in this Reading: "Behold, I am *coming*  
 soon." (Rev 22:12c and again towards the end of the  
 passage when Jesus says: "The Spirit and the Bride  
 say, '*Come*'. Let the hearer say, '*Come*.' Let the one  
 Who thirsts *come* forward and the one who wants it  
 receive the gift of life-giving water. The One Who  
 gives this testimony says, 'Yes, I am *coming* soon:  
 Amen! *Come*, Lord Jesus.'" (Rev 22:17, 20)

In these final words of the whole Book of  
 Revelation, Jesus invites those who have believed in  
 His Message and have lived Jesus's Message by their  
 deeds to come together and to receive these eternal  
 gifts which is everlasting life.

Finally, at the Last Supper Jesus prays to God  
 the Father that the Apostles would come together as  
 one and always strive for unity among each other  
 "... that they may be one, as we are one." (John 17:22)

Coming together can always be an opportunity  
 of having good fellowship, sharing a meal, but espe-  
 cially responding to Jesus's invitation of being united  
 together by God's Love. Ask yourself at your next  
 gathering: *In what ways is Jesus inviting us to be  
 more united; more forgiving, more loving and more  
 open to being one?* And then at Mass pray: Jesus help  
 us to be more patient, and kind. Help us to come  
 together in unity.

God Bless,  
 Father Mark

Happy  
 Memorial Day!



# We Celebrate, We Listen, We Pray

Date	Intention	Requested by	Celebration	Scriptures
<b>MEMORIAL DAY</b> Monday, May 30, 2022 9:00 a.m. Mass at cemetery	<b>All the Deceased in St. Joseph Cemetery</b>		Easter Weekday	Acts 19:1-8 Jn 16:29-33
Tuesday, May 31, 2022 8:30 a.m. Mass  5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Cecilia Cemetery	Penny Coccimiglio  <b>All the Deceased in St. Cecilia Cemetery</b>	Family	The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16 Lk 1:39-56
Wednesday, June 1, 2022 No Mass			Saint Justin, Martyr	Acts 20:28-38 Jn 17:11b-19
Thursday, June 2, 2022 8:30 a.m. Mass	Eddie Klaiber (1st anniversary)	Mary Agnes — sister Gerald and Kenneth— brothers	Saint Marcellinus and Saint Peter, Martyrs	Acts 22:30; 23:6-11 Jn 17:20-26
Friday, June 3, 2022 8:30 a.m. Mass <b>FIRST FRIDAY</b>	John F. Lovenduski	Pauline — wife	Saint Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs	Acts 25:13b-21 Jn 21:15-19
Saturday, June 4, 2022 <b>FIRST SATURDAY</b> 8:30 a.m.	<b>Communion Service and Adoration</b>		Easter Weekday	Acts 28:16-20, 30-31 Jn 21:20-25
Saturday, June 4, 2022 5:30 p.m. Mass	Living and Deceased Parishioners		Vigil of Pentecost Sunday	Gn 11:1-9 Jn 7:37-39
Sunday, June 5, 2022 9:15 a.m. Mass	Ken Mitchell	Mary Jo and Jerry Wehler	<b>Pentecost Sunday</b>	Acts 2:1-11 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 Jn 22:19-23

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**St. Joseph Church**

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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 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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