FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Preparing a brief homily for the Sixth-Grade Ceremony is a challenging endeavor. While brevity is a key point, so is meaning. What Congratulations Alexander, Noel Alexander, Kai Ashbaugh, Emily would be something memorable that I could say that would enhance the evening and give some food for thought. After all, the life experience of a sixth grader is a relatively small sample compared to what it will someday be. Yet at this moment in their lives, this celebration is one of the more significant because the celebration represents a doorway to the next phase of their lives.

Hopefully, beyond the academic accomplishment, they will leave St. Joe's School with a profound belief that God loves them. God's love for them is not earned because of getting good grades, but freely given and unconditional. God chooses to love them, as God chooses to love us even when we might feel unlovable.

That probably have been times in their years at St. Joe's when things were confusing and likely, there will be times in their future when things will be equally confusing. If they only remember that, by God's grace, they survived those confusing times at St. Joe's, then they will have hope that they will survive the future times of confusion as well.

How God has loved them in their days at St. Joe's, surrounding them with caring faculty, supporting them with nurturing families and friends, that is how God will continue to love them. As they have grown in their understanding of God's love up to this point, so they can continue to grow in their understanding of God's love for them. God's love is sometimes subtle and unseen, but constant. God has been preparing them for bigger things down the road. Their experiences at St. Joe's have pointed them in a good direction that God blesses.

While no one can predict where the pathway of their lives will lead, one can be sure that God is planning on walking the pathway with them, their constant companion even if they don't recognize him along the way. I hope they remember. Father Rick

/ In your charity please pray for the soul of Wanda Thomas who passed away recently. She was the mother of Chuck and Karen Thomas. We extend our sympathy to her family and friends and ask God's love and strength to bring them peace and consolation.

Please Pray for the soul of Joan Miceli who passed away this past week. She was the wife of Joe Miceli. We also extend our sympathy to her family and friends and ask God's love and strength to bring them peace and consolation.

WARREN COUNTY FAIR FOOD BOOTH: Donations of pop and water are being accepted to stock the booth for the Fair this August. Please see the sign up sheet for the varieties requested. There is also a sign up sheet for the bakers in our Parish to make nut rolls and bake cookies. As always, thank you for your generosity!

ONLINE GIVING School is out and vacation time is here! While away this summer, an easy way to continue your support of our church is through online giving. Online giving can

be done via your smart device. To set up your gift, visit our website and click on the Online Giving icon or download from the App store. Thanks for helping us carry on while you're away.

A Family Perspective: Today's Gospel tells us God wants to be with us always and in all ways. Every family is called to be a tabernacle where God Dwells. Is Jesus a permanent member of your family or a temporary guest? Today the promise is given. The choice is yours.

Congratulations to St. Joseph School Class of 2019! We wish all

the best to the following St. Joe's students: Brody Grosch, Sydney Johnson, Lexi Paris and Jayden

Wilson. May God be with you every step of the way!

SAINT JOSEPH ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE

You can drop off items on June 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th. The Sale will be held on June 13th, 14th, and 15th.

The doors for the sale will open at 9am each day. Please remember we will not be accepting large exercise equipment, computers/monitors or gas powered equipment. The signup sheets to work at the Rummage Sale are in the Parish Office or in the back of the Church during weekend Masses. All proceeds will benefit Saint Joseph Catholic School!

THE SCRAP METAL DUMPSTER will arrive this week and be on location for 2-3 weeks. Once you see it in the back parking lot feel free to donate metal items of all types. Please place metal items in the dumpster neatly and carefully. No televisions are allowed! If you leave a TV the church and school will have to pay to dispose of it. St Joseph's school thanks you for your donation to this event.

> TO MARS AND BEYOND VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

DATE: JULY 29TH—AUGUST 2ND 8:30AM-N00N AGES 3—GRADE 5

Cost is \$20.00 per child/ no more than \$35.00 per family REGISTRATION FORMS ARE AT THE DOORS OF THE CHURCH

> **LET THE FUN BEGIN! Darien Lake Theme Park** Cost for Altar Servers is Free as a Thank You for Serving.

Join Father Rick, Father Jim and Anna for a day of roller coaster and water park excitement on June 26th. All are welcome to join us at 8:00am Mass and the bus leaves at 8:45am and returns at 9:30pm. Cost is \$40.00 and everyone is responsible for their own food. Snacks and water will be available on the bus. Please RSVP to annamarini02@yahoo.com by June19th.

CHILD PROTECTION AND CREATING SAFE ENVIROMENTS

LISTEN TO YOUR CHILDREN: This summer, when your children are out of school and on different schedules, meeting new people and going to new places, make sure that you talk to them often about their experiences and the people they've met. Listen carefully to your children. If possible, observe and get to know the other children and adults who are part of your children's summertime fun. Above all, communicate your safety concerns to your children. Make sure they know that they can come to you with any concerns they may have about the people they interact with. And if you hear of or observe behaviors that may be inappropriate, make sure to communicate your feelings to people who are in a position to intervene. Communications is key to creating and maintaining a safe environment all year round. To see what the Diocese of Erie is doing to help maintain safe environments, visit https://www.eriercd.org/childprotection/

LITURGY INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, 6/9 **Pentecost Sunday** 8:00am (St Luke) Pete & Dolores Anthony by Family 10:00am For the Living & Deceased Members of St Joseph Parish Monday, 6/10 12:00pm Dr Joseph Manno by Family Tuesday, 6/11 St Barnabas, Apostle Anthony & Susan Brazer by Jan Graziano & Family 12:05pm Wednesday, 6/12 Weekday 9:05am Special Intention of Ted & Joan Wozneak by Judie Worhacz

St Anthony of Padua, Priest & Doctor of the Church Thursday, 6/13 12:05pm J Albert Loranger by Son

Friday, 6/14 Weekday

8:00am Edwin Gorgacz by Dan & Lori Murphy

Saturday, 6/15 Weekday

5:30pm Robert & Caroline Atkins by Children & Grandchildren

The Most Holy Trinity Sunday, 6/16

> 8:00am (St Luke) Living & Deceased Members of St Joseph Parish

10:00am David Lopez by The Lopez Family

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULES

	<u>Lector</u>	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers
6/15 5:30pm	C Mahood	G & P Peck, *D Geiger, *T & R Fadale, G Stilwell, H Thomas	J Sobina J Wilson J Hunter
6/16 8:00am	M Donahue	A & D Harlan	R Nuhfer
10:00am	K/V Amsdell	*R Beyer, T Siliano, *A & L Tyers, A & P Webster, Volunteer	E Dippold K Dippold L Dippold

WEEKLY SANCTUARY CANDLES IN MEMORY OF Louis & Shirley Rizzardi by Family

6/12-The Rouse Home— Deacon Phil Skeda & Carol Knapp 6/16—8:00am Mass Ushers—Carol & Vince Pillar

St. Joseph Parish Weekly Offering-June 1st & 2nd

Saint Joseph Church - \$5250.50 Ascension of the Lord - \$993.00 **International Needs - \$758.00** Saint Luke Church - \$889.00 Holy Days—\$334.00

Thank you for your continued weekly support of our Parish!

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Genesis 3:9-15, 20; Gospel John 19:25-34 Monday Tuesday Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3; Gospel Matthew 10:7-13 Wednesday 2 Corinthians 3:4-11; Gospel Matthew 5:17-19 2 Corinthians 3:15-4:1,3-6; Gospel Matthew 5:20-26 Thursday Friday 2 Corinthians 4:7-15; Gospel Matthew 5:27-32 Saturday 2 Corinthians 5:14-21; Gospel Matthew 5:33-37 Sunday Proverbs 8:22-31; Romans 5:1-5; Gospel John 16:12-15

SPECIAL EVENTS THIS WEEK

Sunday, June 9 **Pentecost Sunday** 8:00am (St Luke) Mass 10:00am Mass

Liturgy of the Word for Children-DOG (Disciples of God)

Rummage Sale Drop off after Mass

Monday, June 10

9am - 3pm Rummage Sale Drop Off (Gym) 10:45am (St Luke) DVD "The Wild Goose"

12:00pm (St Luke) Mass

5:00pm Hospitality Committee Mtg (Boardroom)

Tuesday, June 11

12:05pm Mass

3—8pm Rummage Sale Drop Off (Gym)

4:30pm Soup Kitchen

Wednesday, June 12

9:00am Rummage Sale Drop Off (Gym) 9:05am Mass (Mother's Chapel)

Thursday, June 13

9am-5pm Rummage Sale (Gym)

12:05pm Mass

12:30pm Eucharistic Adoration (Mother's Chapel)

5:00pm Repose of the Blessed Sacrament (Mother's Chapel)

Friday, June 14

8:00am Mass

9am-5pm Rummage Sale (Gym)

Saturday, June 15

9am-Noon Rummage Sale \$1.00 / Bag Day 4:30-5:15pm Sacrament of Reconciliation

5:30pm Mass

Sunday, June 16 The Most Holy Trinity

8:00am (St Luke) Mass

10:00am Mass

Liturgy of the Word for Children-DOG (Disciples of God)

Items Needed for the Helping Hands Ministry St Joseph Church & St Luke Church

If you have any gently used full sheet sets, our Helping Hands ministry would be happy to take them off your hands. We also have a need for used twin beds. Contact the parish office for details.

Thank you for your generosity.

ST JOSEPH PARISH SOUP KITCHEN MINISTRY

We serve dinner every Tuesday at 4:30pm for the Warren Community. All are invited! We are serving Spaghetti, Tossed Salad, Garlic Bread this Tuesday!