

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Occasionally when I am distributing communion, I will notice a person switching lines to be able to receive communion from me. That person is perfectly free to switch lines.

However, I am reminded of something that I learned in Sacramental Theology as a student. The question arose concerning the holiness of the priest celebrating the sacraments. What if a priest was not in the state of grace while celebrating a sacrament? Did his state of grace or lack thereof, invalidate the sacrament? Think of the consequences of such an invalidation, whether the sacrament was Baptism, the Eucharist, Reconciliation, or Anointing of the Sick. A faithful person believing that he/she received a sacrament would certainly be in for a shock. Or if a person getting married was not in the state of grace, would that invalidate the marriage?

The Latin term for that line of reasoning is "ex opere operantis". The sacrament is dependent on the holiness of the minister of the sacrament.

Fortunately, as the Church worked through this question, wisdom prevailed, and the Church adopted the idea of "ex opere operato". This means that grace is connected to the action of the sacrament and not to the minister of the sacrament. Why is that the case? Because it is Christ who is at work in the action of the sacrament.

Whether the communion minister is a priest, or an extraordinary minister is irrelevant. The key encounter in receiving communion with Christ and not with the minister.

Father Rick



MOVIE NIGHT

The showing of the movie **UNPLANNED** is this Sunday, January 12th in Meyer Hall at Saint Joseph at 6:30 pm. Please plan to attend this very important movie and please plan to support our young adults in attending. Bring your own young adults, your Confirmation candidate, your young adult grandchildren - bring them and support them in this incredibly important message for our world! EVERY LIFE MATTERS AND EVERY LIFE SHOULD BE RESPECTED AND PROTECTED! Refreshments will be served.

March for Life 2020

The Knights of Columbus & Catholic Churches of Warren County invite you to join the March for Life 2020 in Washington DC on Friday, January 24th. Thursday, January 23rd there will be a Holy Hour at Holy Redeemer Church at 9:15pm and the bus will leave at 10:45pm. The estimated return time is Friday at 11:30pm. Reserve your spot today by contacting Jenn Wortman at 688-3842 or email her at jenniferwortman7400@gmail.com or you can call the Parish Office. The cost is \$50.00 for Adults and \$25.00 for Youth. Let's fill the bus!

CCY JANUARY 12TH

CCY BABY SHOWER FOR the WOMEN'S CARE CENTER grades 5-12 are invited to join Anna for fellowship and shower food and games as we shower the Women's Care Center with love. Bring a baby gift for the center and meet baby Rose, Anna & Scott's newest bundle of joy! January 12th at 5:15- 6:20 pm in Meyer Hall at Saint Joseph.

ST JOSEPH SCHOOL KINDERGARTEN ROUNDUP will take place on Friday, February 14th, beginning at 8:30am. Please call the school office to reserve a spot for your child as kindergarten will be limited to a total number of 30 students (split between two classes) for the 2020-21 school year. Kindergarten Registration Packets are available in the school office, or can be mailed upon request. 723-2030.



SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

IS JANUARY 26, 2020 from 11:45am to 1:30pm. The Open House is for current and prospective new families of all faith backgrounds. Come tour the school, see the children's work, talk to the dedicated faculty and pick up registration paperwork. Tuition assistance and scholarships are available. For questions, call the school office at 723-2030.



SACRISTANS NEEDED. If anyone is interested in serving as a sacristan for School Masses, or Funerals, or Sunday Masses please call the Parish Office. As a sacristan you would be responsible to set the altar for Mass, and the clean up after Mass. If you are interested, we will train you! Any help would be greatly appreciated.

PARISH NEWS



BAPTISM Through the waters of Baptism we at Saint Joseph Parish welcome **Rose Elizabeth Anderson** into our community of faith in Jesus Christ. Rosie is the daughter of **Scott and Anna Anderson**, and little sister to **Mary Angela** and granddaughter of **Roy and Betsy Williams**. May God continue to bless their lives with His love.

The Mass Book is now open for scheduling of Masses for 2020. We are scheduling January through May right now. Please call or stop by the parish office to schedule a Mass or Sanctuary Candles in memory of your loved ones today!

ST JOSEPH PARISH SOUP KITCHEN MINISTRY

The Saint Joseph Soup Kitchen serves dinner on Tuesday at 4:30pm for the Warren Community. All are Welcome!

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SAVE THE DATES

22:32 MEN'S CONFERENCE—February 29th at Our Lady of Peace Parish in Erie

1:38 WOMEN'S CONFERENCE—March 28th at our Lady of Peace Parish in Erie

More information is available in the Parish Office

LITURGY INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, 1/12 **Baptism of the Lord**
 8:00am (St Luke) Living & Deceased Members of St Joseph Parish
 10:45am Bob Gatto by Jim & Halina Carbon

Monday, 1/13 **Saint Hilary, Bishop & Doctor of the Church**
 12:00pm (St Luke)

Tuesday, 1/14 **Weekday**
 12:05pm Jim Graziano by Tony & Sally Marino

Wednesday, 1/15 **Weekday**
 9:05am Carolyn Graziano by Deacon Joe Lucia
 1:30pm Warren Manor

Thursday, 1/16 **Weekday**
 12:05pm James Musante by Mike & Lisa Lewis

Friday, 1/17 **Saint Anthony, Abbot**
 8:00am Special Intention for Matthew Johnson by Josephine Levan

Saturday, 1/18 **Weekday**
 5:30pm Living & Deceased Members of St Joseph Parish

Sunday, 1/19 **Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 8:00am (St Luke)
 10:45am Mel & Rose Adolphson by Gary & Sandy Baldensperger

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Extraordinary Ministers</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>
1/18		P Rickert, *A Kiehl, R Kujawa,	M Alexander
5:30pm	L Suppa	H Zaffino, *G & M Belleau Volunteer	N Alexander T Abplanalp
1/19		A & D Harlan	Joey Mack
8:00am	Janet Mack		
10:45am	Bill/ Peggy Morgan	T Siliano, *L & A Tyers, S Cole, A & P Webster, Volunteer	L Thrift B Alexander T Alexander

1/19 Mass Ushers –Doug & Diana Sandberg
 1/15 Mass Rouse Home—Marge & Neil Himber
 January Altar/Rosary Cleaning Com—Carol Knapp & Carol Pillar

*WEEKLY SANCTURAY CANDLES IN MEMORY OF
 Dr Harold Reinhard by Karen Wingard*



In your charity please pray for the soul of **Mary Ann Toohey**, mother of **Father Rich Toohey**, who passed away this week . We extend our sympathy to her family and friends and ask God's love and strength to bring them peace and consolation.

St. Joseph Parish Weekly Offering-January 4th & 5th
Saint Joseph Church Weekly Offering -\$4909.00
Saint Luke Church Weekly Offering- \$772.00

Thank you for your continued weekly support of our Parish!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday 1 Samuel 1:1-8; Gospel Mark 1:14-20

Tuesday 1 Samuel 1:9-20; Gospel Mark 1:21-28

Wednesday 1 Samuel 3:1-10, 19-20; Gospel Mark 1:29-39

Thursday 1 Samuel 4:1-11; Gospel Mark 1:40-45

Friday 1 Samuel 8:4-7, 10-22a; Gospel Mark 2:1-12

Saturday 1 Samuel 9:1-4,17-19; 10:1; Gospel Mark 2:13-17

Sunday Isaiah 49:3, 5-6; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Gospel John 1:29-34

SPECIAL EVENTS THIS WEEK

Sunday, January 12
 8:00am (St Luke) Mass
 8:15am 4th Grade Retreat @ HR
 9:15am EDGE & CREW @ HR
 10:45am Mass
Liturgy of the Word for Children
 Take down Christmas Decorations after Mass—All invited!
 5:15-6:20pm CCY Youth Group 5th –12th grades (Meyer Hall)
 6:30pm Showing of the Movie *Unplanned* (Meyer Hall)

Monday, January 13
 12:00pm (St Luke) Mass

Tuesday, January 14
 12:05pm Mass
 4:30pm Soup Kitchen

Wednesday, January 15
 9:05am School Mass
 10:30am Faith Share (Meyer Hall)
 2:00pm Mass (Warren Manor)
 6:00pm Webelo/Arrow of Light Cub Scouts (Loranger Hall)

Thursday, January 16
 12:05pm Mass
 12:30pm Eucharistic Adoration (Mother's Chapel)
 6:30pm SJCS PTU Meeting (Meyer Hall) Childcare in gym
 7:15pm Evening Prayer (Mother's Chapel)

Friday, January 17
 8:00am Mass

Saturday, January 18
 4:30-5:15pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
 5:30pm Mass

Sunday, January 19
 8:00am (St Luke) Mass
 10:45am Mass
 Liturgy of the Word for Children

HELPING HANDS MINISTRY

Items Needed for the Helping Hands Ministry in January 2020

St Joseph Church

Toilet Paper & Paper Towels

St Luke Church

Pasta, Noodles, Spaghetti Sauce, Mac & Cheese

Items collected will be donated to the Warren Salvation Army and the Youngsville Food Pantry

THANK YOU!