

Christmas Food Baskets

Beginning Thanksgiving Day through December 14th, St. Joseph will again help the Salvation Army by delivering boxes of food and other home supplies to over 100 of our county's neediest families for Christmas. The food and supplies will be packed on the Friday before delivery then on Saturday morning, December 17th, volunteers will deliver the boxes to the families. We would appreciate donations of paper products like napkins, paper towels, toilet paper and tissues. Gift cards in \$25 denominations from Walmart, Aldi, Tops or Shurfine are also welcome. Monetary donations are also useful to purchase turkeys, fresh foods locally. Please designate on the envelope or check (made out to St. Joseph Church) that the money is for **Christmas Food Baskets** and the money will be deposited correctly. Please place your envelopes in collection baskets or leave in the parish office. Your contributions and prayers make a real difference to those in need. Thank you for your faithful support.

RCIA or the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults went through a slight change during the pandemic. It is now being called OCIA or Order of Christian Initiation. This weekend, we celebrate and welcome the gift of new members to our Catholic community and the joy and life that it breathes into our parishes. **Erica Bailey, Lawrence Heberle Jr., Tanner Humphrey, Shelly MIneweaser and Brianne Ristau** ask for the gifts of the Church from you and they are signed with the Cross, acknowledging their desire to walk with Christ in Trinitarian love and a sacramental life.

St Joseph School Cash Raffle

The Week 5 winner of \$150 is Bruce Williams
Congratulations Bruce!

In your charity please pray for the soul of **Carl DeStefano**, who passed away this week. We extend our sympathy to his family and friends and ask God's love and strength to bring them peace and consolation.

BAPTISM Through the waters of Baptism we at St Joseph Parish welcome **Ashton Joseph Phillips**, son of **Alexander** and **Lindsey Phillips** into our community of faith in Jesus Christ. May God continue to bless his life with His love.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday** Rev 14:1-3,4b-5; Gospel: Luke 21:1-4
- Tuesday** Rev 14:14-19; Gospel: Luke 21:5-11
- Wednesday** Rev 15:1-4; Gospel: Luke 21:12-19
- Thursday** Rev 18:1-2,21-23;19:1-3, 9a; Gospel: Luke 21:20-28
- Friday** Rev 20:1-4,11—21:2; Gospel: Luke 21:29-33
- Saturday** Rev 22:1-7; Gospel: Luke 21:34-36
- Sunday** Isaiah 2:1-5; Rom 13:11-14; Gospel: Matthew 24:37-44

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

Lector

EMHC/Sacristan, Greeters/
Usher, Altar Servers

- November 23rd Thanksgiving Day Vigil Mass**
5:30pm Jean Walker EMHC—**Volunteer needed**
Altar Servers—Eddie & Jack Abplanalp
- November 26th**
5:30pm Bob McGinn EMHC—Roy Williams
Altar Servers —Emily & Izzy Grosch
Greeters—Vic & Gloria Suppa
- November 27th**
8:00am Sue Kibbey Sacristan—Sue Cronmiller
Usher—Bob Jaffy
- 10:45am Denise Pusateri EMHC—Ron Osche
Altar Servers— Jude & Seth Gatto
Greeters —Claire Fanelli, Dianna Stanley

St. Joseph Parish Weekly Offering—November 13th
Saint Joseph Church Weekly Offering —**\$5105.00**
Saint Luke Church Weekly Offering —**\$705.00**
A Special Thank You for Your Generous Gifts

*THIS WEEK THE SANCTUARY CANDLES ARE IN
MEMORY OF
PATRICK & RUTH GERARDI
BY PATRICIA, JOSEPHINE, AND CHARLES*

Saint Joseph Soup Kitchen Ministry

Dinners are served as take out only each Tuesday from 4-5pm for the Warren Community. All are welcome!

A Special Thank You to all who supported our ministry by donating a pumpkin pie! We served over 123 meals and there was pie for all! We are very grateful and very blessed!

Helping Hands Ministry Food Items Needed in November

Saint Joseph Church

Paper products for Christmas Food Baskets

Saint Luke Church

Non -perishable food items for the Thanksgiving Food Drive

Thank you!

LITURGY INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

PARISH NEWS

Sunday, 11/20 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
(St Luke) Francis M & Mary A Russo by Family
(St. Joseph) Patrick & Ruth Gerardi by Patricia, Josephine & Charles

Monday, 11/21 The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
William E & Contance M Mazzuca Brown by Mary Seybert

Tuesday, 11/22 St Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr
George & Helen Groner by George & Carol & Rose

Wednesday, 11/23 St Clement I, St Columban, Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro
9:00am Catherine Sheldon by Sherry Albrecht & Frances Durante
5:30pm Toby Shea by Mike & Lisa Lewis

Thursday, 11/24 St Andrew Dŭng-Lac, Priest & Companions, Martyrs
No Mass

Friday, 11/25 St Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin & Martyr
Alice Williams by Roy & Betsy

Saturday, 11/26 Weekday
Sam & Jennie Castagnino by Grandchildren

Sunday, 11/27 First Sunday of Advent
(St Luke) Living & Deceased Members of St Joseph Parish
(St. Joseph) Don Sobina by Family

MASSES & EVENTS THIS WEEK

Sunday, Nov 20th Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
8:00am (St Luke) Mass
9:15-10:30am 24 to Adore Event & Confirmation at HR
9:15am Hour of Power at HR
10:45am (St Joseph) Mass & DOG Ministry
****Coffee and Donuts after 10:45am Mass**

Monday, November 21st
9:00am Mass
5:15pm Pastoral Council Meeting (Boardroom)

Tuesday, November 22nd
9:00am Mass
4-5pm St Joseph Soup Kitchen Take Out Dinners

Wednesday, November 23rd No School
9:00am Mass
5:30pm Vigil Mass for Thanksgiving Day

Thursday, November 24th Thanksgiving Day
9:00am No Mass

Friday, November 25th Parish Office Closed
9:00am Mass

Saturday, November 26th
4:30-5:15pm Confessions
5:30pm Mass

Sunday, Nov 27th First Sunday of Advent
8:00am (St Luke) Mass
10:45am (St Joseph) Mass

Monday, Nov 28th Parish Office Closed
9:00am Mass
6:00pm St Joseph Book Club (Meyer Hall)

December 5th the movie *Lady of Guadalupe* will be shown at 2pm at Holy Redeemer Church. Drinks and popcorn will be served.

Our 9-12th graders should join us on December 4th at 6 pm for taco night, gingerbread house making, gym time and the Word of God unpacked.

#iGiveCatholic St. Joseph Parish and St. Joseph Catholic School will be participating in the #iGiveCatholic giving day. Advanced giving begins November 14-28 with Giving Tuesday on November 29. #iGiveCatholic is the U.S. Catholic Church's online giving day that kicks off the charitable season and brings the Catholic community together to give thanks and give back.

December 3rd is the Saint Joseph School Christmas Craft Show from 10am -4pm in the school gym! Admission is \$2.00 (12 & under free). All Proceeds will benefit St Joseph School. The SJCS Art Program and Library will be raffling off 2 quilts. See the bulletin insert for details. Tickets are available in the parish office.

December 9th Cookies, crafts and cocoa is right around the corner! December 9th the hospitality committee will host a family centered evening with loads of fun! The night will begin promptly at 6pm in Meyer Hall with a story read by Mrs. Anderson. Then kids and parents will have the opportunity to work on Christmas crafts, eat cookies and cocoa and enjoy the company of our church family. The crafts are geared toward kids pre-k-6th. However all are welcome. We could use a few volunteer teens to assist at the craft table. What a great night to get into the Christmas spirit! Please rsvp to the parish office at 723-2090.

NCYC THANK YOU

THANK YOU to all who donated to our trip; prayed for us and supported our journey. We went to meet Christ in new and profound ways and that we did. We had a lot of fun but more importantly, we all had our moments when God touched our hearts; some in the Eucharist, some in other Catholics, some in the music, some in the speakers, priests and bishops present. We made new friends, learned new ways to pray and we all realized how important a relationship is with our God. It is critical to our existence! We are so very grateful to all of you. God bless you!

Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments

Know the Warning Signs of a Predator: Perpetrators are not waiting on the street to snatch kids; only 10% of sexually abused children are abused by strangers. 90% are abused by someone known and trusted by the child/child's family. Perpetrators integrate themselves into everyone's life, not just the child. They build relationships so that they are trusted to be alone with the child. One of the most important ways to ensure the safety of children in our environments is to know the warning signs of adults who present a risk of harm to children. Among these signs are when the (1) always wants to be alone with a child in areas where no one can monitor the interactions, (2) allows a child to do things their parents would not permit, (3) is always more excited to be with children than with adults, and (4) discourages others from participating in activities involving kids. Visit www.eriecd.org/childprotection/ for more information and resources.