Fourth Sunday of Lent Laetare Sunday March 19th through March 25th

Lenten Prayer: As our busy lives grind on, let's not forget to take a moment for prayer this Lent. This is a short prayer you can say anytime, keeping you close to God. "God may Your light guide my day, and your spirit bring me peace. Amen."

St. Joseph Catholic School is accepting new students for the 2023-2024 school year in grades K-6. Please call the school office at 814-723-2030 for information. We invite interested families to schedule a tour and see what the school offers! Tuition assistance is available.

Visit sjcswarren.org today!

Holy Communion: If you are a Eucharistic Minister we could use your help taking communion to our homebound parishioners after weekend Masses. Please call the parish office if you are able to help bring Christ to our brothers and sisters unable to join us at the Lord's table.

RAISERIGHT GIFT CARDS

Need a last minute gift? The parish office has a nice selection of gift cards to choose from. A percentage of each card purchased will go to the school. Great way to shop and support Saint Joseph Catholic School! Thank You!

The Eighth Annual Catholic Women's Conference

The conference is next Saturday, March 25th at Jude Parish in Erie from 8am to 12:30pm. Laurel Phelps from the program "Walking with Purpose" will be speaking. The cost is \$20. College Students are \$10, High School Students are \$5, and Religious are FREE. For more information or to register www.1:38women.com or call (814)455-7364.

In your charity please pray for the souls of Larry Kobojek, Linda Johnson, Gervase "Jerry" Wortman and Nick Tomassoni who passed away this week. We extend our sympathy to all their families and friends and ask God's love and strength to bring them peace and consolation.

St. Joseph Parish Weekly Offering-March 12th Saint Joseph Church Weekly Offering -\$12,913.00 Saint Luke Church Weekly Offering —\$805.00 A Special Thank You for Your Generous Gifts

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday 2 Sam 7:4-5a,12-14a,16; Rom 4:13,16-18,22; Gospel: Matt 1:16, 18-21,24a

Ezekiel 47:1-9,12; Gospel John 5:1-16 Tuesday Isaiah 49:8-15; Gospel: John 5:17-30 Wednesday

Exodus 32:7-14; Gospel: John 5:31-47 **Thursday**

Wisdom 2:1a,12-22; Gospel: John 7:1-2,10,25-30 **Friday**

Isaiah 7:10-14;8:10; Heb 10:4-10; Gospel: Luke 1:26-38 Saturday Sunday Ezekiel 37:12-14; Roman 8:8-1; Gospel: John 11:1-45

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

EMHC/Sacristan, Greeters/ **Lector** Usher, Altar Servers

March 25th

5:30pm Lilly Suppa EMHC—Fran Perrin

Altar Servers—Adam & Owen Strandburg

Greeters—Barb & Mike McAvoy

March 26th

8:00am MaryDonahue Usher—Bob Jaffy

Sacristan—Rick Nuhfer

10:45am Peggy/Bill Morgan EMHC — Deanna Beyers

> Altar Servers—Jude & Seth Gatto Greeters—Susan Olson, Diana Stanley DOG Ministry-Lauren Keddie

THIS WEEK THE SANCTUARY CANDLES ARE IN MEMORY OF KARLENE MOLINARO BY FAMILY

Helping Hands: In February helping hands was able to provide lodging for 3 people and a bed to another in need. Thank you for your continued support of this ministry through your donations in the outreach to the needy enve-

Saint Joseph Soup Kitchen Ministry

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

Helping Hands Ministry Food Items Needed

Saint Joseph Church—March

Fruit Loops, Apple Jacks, Lucky Charms, Frosted Flakes, Raisin Bran, Chex, Cornflakes

Saint Luke Church—March

Coffee, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Juice, Flour, Sugar Thank you!

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

LITURGY INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

PARISH NEWS

Sunday, 3/19 Fourth Sunday in Lent (Laetare Sunday)
(St Luke) Denise Dorrion by Mary Beth & Jim Riggle

(St Joseph) Living & Deceased Members of St Luke & St Joseph

Monday, 3/20 Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Francis M & Mary A Russo by Family

Tuesday, 3/21 Lenten Weekday

Nancy Stanley by Tom & Flo Peterson

Wednesday, 3/22 Lenten Weekday

John Bonavita by a Friend

Thursday, 3/23 St Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop

Lee & Jane Maher by George & Carol and Rose

Friday, 3/24 Lenten Weekday

Katie Rooney by Family

Saturday, 3/25 The Annunciation of The Lord

Living & Deceased Members of St Luke & St Joseph

Sunday, 3/26 Fifth Sunday in Lent

(St Luke) K of C #13006 Living Members & Families by K of C

(St Joseph) Theresa Massa by Carolyn O'Donnell

<u>Catholic Services Appeal</u>: Thank you to everyone who has so generously given to the Catholic Services appeal. Our parish goal is \$66,220 set by the diocese. We would like to raise anther \$20,000 for the freezer and kneeler repairs. We currently have pledged \$67,730.00. If you have not made a gift yet we hope that you will prayerfully consider doing so.

St. Joseph Parish Youth Scholarship: Any graduating senior who has been active in parish life, confirmed, and will be attending college in the fall, is invited to apply for the St. Joseph Parish Youth Scholarship. Applications can be picked up in the parish office from 8am-4:30pm Monday through Friday. **Completed applications are due April 12, 2023.**

Please keep our **Second Grade Students in your prayers** as they prepare for their First Reconciliation next weekend. "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give to you" John 14:27

<u>MASSES & EVENTS THIS WEEK</u>

Sunday, March 19th

8:00am Mass (St Luke)

8:15-Noon 2nd Grade Retreat at Holy Redeemer 9:15-10:30am Faith Formation at Holy Redeemer 10:45am Mass (St Joseph) & DOG Ministry

St Joseph Table Dinner in the Gym

4:00pm Celtic & Classics Concert at 1st United Methodist Church

Monday, March 20th

9:00am Mass

5:15pm Pastoral Council Meeting (Boardroom)

Tuesday, March 21st

9:00am Mass

4-5pm St Joseph Soup Kitchen Take Out Dinners5:00pm Finance Committee Meeting (Boardroom)

Wednesday, March 22nd

9:05am School Mass and Adoration

6:00pm Choir Practice

6:30pm Holden Evening Prayer (1st Presbyterian)

Thursday, March 23rd

9:00am Mass

6:00pm Girl Scouts (Meyer Hall)

Friday, March 24th

9:00am Mass

6:00pm Stations of the Cross (St Joseph) 7:00pm Stations of the Cross (St Luke)

Saturday, March 25th

10:00am 1st Reconciliation at Holy Redeemer

4:30-5:15pm Confessions 5:30pm Mass (St Joseph)

Sunday, March 26th

8:00am Mass (St Luke)

9:15-10:30am Faith Formation at Holy Redeemer 10:45am Mass (St Joseph) & DOG Ministry

**The Passion of the Christ will be shown in Meyer Hall on Sunday March 26 at 2:00 pm. Popcorn and refreshments will be served.

St Mark Seminary Auxiliary Annual Card Party Help Support our Seminarians

St. Marks Seminary Auxiliary raffle tickets will be sold this weekend and next weekend after Mass or you can purchase tickets in the parish office. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. The St. Marks Seminary Auxiliary will be having their Annual Card Party on April 20th at 6pm. This is the only fundraiser each year that helps support our seminarians. Thank you and please pray for vocations!

Holden Evening Prayer Services: This Wednesday Fr. Rick will be speaking at the Holden Prayer service being hosted by the First Presbyterian Church on Market St. We are half way through our Lenten journey. Remember, everything is a gift. May you continue to grow in gratitude.

<u>Linen Brigade</u> We are looking for a volunteer to help launder the linens used during Mass. The time commitment is around 6 hours a month. Currently we need a volunteer for June. If you would like to be part of the Linen Brigade Ministry or have any questions, please call the parish office.

Lenten Fish Fry

Sheffield K of C's fish fry is available from 4:30-6pm on Fridays during Lent at the St Paul Center in Saybrook. The dinners are take out only. Cost is \$12. Call 814-968-5915 for curbside pickup.

Free Concert at First United Methodist Church on March 19th at 4pm. **Silver Winds Flute Choir** will be performing Celtic and Classics.