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**JANUARY 15, 2023 - SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**HELLO AND WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH PARISH!**

**Thank you for joining us today. Blessings! May you have a beautiful day. The St. Joseph Parish family extends a warm welcome to our visitors and new families. We are delighted to have you! If you are a new parishioner, ask one of the ushers for a parish census/registration form. Please complete and drop in the collections basket or bring by the church office during business hours. If we can be of any assistance to you, please let us know. We hope you will find a true home at St. Joseph Church!**

**RECORD OF OUR STEWARDSHIP**

**January 8, 2023**

**RECORD OF OUR FAITHFULNESS**

Offertory—\$3,513.00  
 Poor Box—\$39.33  
 Building Fund—\$250.00

**May we faithfully live as God's  
 stewards, fulfilling the plan He  
 had for each of us as He formed  
 us in the womb.**

6:00PM—38  
 11:00AM—107  
**Total—145**

***Blessed Thanks!***



**Please pray for our sick, shut-ins, those listed in our book of intentions, parishioners residing in nursing homes, and others who have asked for prayers: *Gino Aureli, Eileen Badovick, James Belvedresi, Breckin Birge, Tim Boutwell, Irene Christian, Lee Cole, Anna Crawford, Janie Culpepper, Judy Ellison, Theresa Failla, John Golden, Julie Dial Habelmann, Denise Haber, Shirley Hartwick, Carol Hastings, Anna Marie Jacks, David Jackson, Mary Ann Kizer, Scott McGeorge, Mary Ellen Miskell, Franklin Murray, Thomas Oster, Betty Petrus, Claudia Rainey, Laurie Stanfield, Claude Wilbern, and Judy Wilbert.* Please keep them in your prayers in their time of need... And all others in need of our healing prayers. Also, remember the caregivers of the ill.**

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***In your prayers, also remember the deceased. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord...***

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION – Adoration Chapel is now open. Please contact Mark or Mary Ives (870-489-4404) if you would like to spend a quiet hour with our Lord on a Tuesday or Wednesday.**

***Please notify the parish office when you or relatives are admitted to Jefferson Regional Medical Center. WE CARE!***

**Pastoral Council Nominations Forms haven been placed on walls around the church. On February 11 & 12, we will elect seven parishioners to serve on the Pastoral Council. Due to term limits, Connie Boutwell, Elizabeth Rinchuso, and James Ruggeri are NOT eligible to run again. All other parishioners, 18 years and older, in good standing with the Church are eligible to run. Please prayerfully consider who you would like to have serve on our Pastoral Council and write his or her name on the Nomination Form. He or she will be contacted regarding accepting nomination to run for a position.**

**NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR is requesting canned goods and any other non-perishable food items for their pantry. Monetary donations are also accepted. Make checks payable to Neighbor to Neighbor. Please give what you are able.**

**Our annual Pennies for Life collection will be next weekend, January 21st and 22nd, to coincide with the March for Life on January 22nd in Little Rock. Baby bottles will be placed by the collection baskets around church for your donations, which will be given to Birthright. Any donation is welcomed and needed. Checks can be written to Birthright or to St. Joseph Church. Thank you for assistance with this worthy cause.**

**Catholic Daughters of the Americas will meet Sunday, January 22 in Gallagher Hall immediately following the 11:00AM Mass. All Catholic women 18 years and old are invited to attend. Members are encouraged to attend.**

**R. C. I. A. Classes meet on Mondays at 6:00PM in the kitchen by the parish offices. Anyone interested in becoming Catholic or learning more about the Catholic faith is welcome to attend.**

**Please prayerfully consider making a donation or memorial for the upkeep and maintenance of our three cemeteries, St. Joseph - Pine Bluff, St. Peter - New Gascony, and St. Patrick - Sulphur Springs. With your help we can keep them looking as beautiful as possible.**

**Father Joe will say Mass at St. Mary Catholic Church, Plum Bayou Thursday, January 26 at 6:00PM. Please make plans to attend.**

**It is not too late to register for *Women of Hope, A Day of Retreat* which will be held at Christ the King Catholic Church in Little Rock on Saturday, February 4, 2023. Join us on a journey as we explore the desert seasons of our faith and the oasis that God has planned for each of us. Don't miss out on this wonderful opportunity to fill your hearts with the hope of Christ.**

**Visit [WomenOfHopeAR.org](http://WomenOfHopeAR.org) for further details and registration information.**

# ***This week in our parish***

Sun Jan 15 *SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME*

9:30AM No P.R.E. (MLK Holiday)

11:00AM *#Mike Lambert* (Church)

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Mon Jan 16 St Berard and Companions

*Martin Luther King, Jr Day*

*Parish Offices Closed*

8:00AM *#Tom Wewers* (Church)

6:00PM R.C.I.A. (Office Kitchen)

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Tue Jan 17 ST ANTHONY ABBOT

8:00AM *No Daily Mass*

9:00AM Scripture Study (Ed Bldg)

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Wed Jan 18 St Charles of Sezze

5:30PM *#Mike Lambert* (Church)

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Thu Jan 19 St Fillan

8:00AM *#Billie & Tom Brown* (Church)

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Fri Jan 20 St Fabian, Pope and Martyr

*St Sebastian, Martyr*

8:00AM *#Sybil Cope* (Church)

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Sat Jan 21 ST AGNES, VIRGIN AND MARTYR

11AM-12PM Confessions Heard (Church)

6:00PM *Int Bud and Gail Bryant* (Church)

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Sun Jan 22 *THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME*

9:30-10:40AM P.R.E. (K thru 12<sup>th</sup> Grades)

11:00AM *#St Joseph Parishioners* (Church)

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*“Now the Lord has spoken who formed me as his servant from the womb...” ~Isaiah 49:5*

God have given each of us different gifts. In order for God’s plan to work, you have to do what God is calling you to do and I have to do what God is calling me to do. And guess what? God has given each of us a different plan! So, stop comparing yourself to others. Don’t let envy and jealousy enter your life. Be thankful for the gifts God has given you and become the saint that God is calling you to be.

Our 2023 Extension Calendars have arrived. They can be found on tables and stands around church or on the table in the hallway by the parish offices. Please only one calendar per family.

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There are many dates in 2023, starting with February 20, open for Mass Intentions. You can have a mass said for persons living or deceased, Catholic or non-Catholic. Makes a great birthday or anniversary gift for only \$10.00 per mass. Please contact the parish office for additional information or to schedule a mass.

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St. Joseph Church will begin offering a Grief Support Program facilitated by Deacon Garry and Lisa Boccarossa. Meetings will be held each Saturday for nine weeks, beginning January 28, 2023 from 10:30AM until 12:00PM in Room 230 in the Education Building. Class size is limited to 12 participants and there is no charge. Please call Lisa Boccarossa to sign up. Any questions contact: Lisa Boccarossa at (870) 718-8081, Deacon Garry Boccarossa (870) 692-8658, or email [boccafam@cablelynx.com](mailto:boccafam@cablelynx.com).