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JANUARY 29, 2023 - FOURTH 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 22, 2023

RECORD OF OUR FAITHFULNESS

Offertory—\$2,210.00
 Poor Box—\$43.26
 Pennies for Life
 Collection—\$361.55

**May others see we live as
 Christians by the way we
 act, dress, and talk.**

6:00PM—44
 11:00AM—99
Total—143

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, Judy Wilbert, and Mary Winkley.* 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...

EUCHARISTIC 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!

This is the last weekend to nominate parishioners to run for Pastoral Council. 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.

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.

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.

SHARE YOUR FAVORITE LENTEN RECIPES - Arkansas Catholic will publish a variety of recipes for meatless dishes in its Lenten section in February. If you would like to share one of your favorite recipes, please e-mail it to editor Malea Hargett at mhargett@dolr.org. Make sure to include your name and city. The deadline is Wednesday, February 8.

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, February 23 at 6:00PM. Please make plans to attend.

Registration closes in two days 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. Advance registration IS REQUIRED to attend the Day of Retreat and the BONUS Evening of Preparation. Don't miss out on this wonderful opportunity to fill your hearts with the hope of Christ. Visit WomenOfHopeAR.org for further details and registration information.

This week in our parish

Sun Jan 29 *FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME*

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

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

Mon Jan 30

8:00AM †*Betty Mathews* (Church)

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

Tue Jan 31 ST JOHN BOSCO, PRIEST

8:00AM *No Daily Mass*

9:00AM Scripture Study (Ed Bldg)

Wed Feb 1

5:30PM †*Mike Lambert* (Church)

Thu Feb 2 THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

8:00AM †*Mary Paule Dildy* (Church)

5:30PM Altar Society Meeting (G Hall)

Fri Feb 3 St Blaise, Bishop and Martyr

St Ansgar, Bishop

8:00AM †*Janice Turchi* (Church)

Sat Feb 4

9:00AM *FIRST SATURDAY MASS*

†*David Nanak* (Church)

10:30AM-12:00PM GRIEF SUPPORT (RM 230)

11AM-12PM Confessions Heard (Church)

6:00PM †*St Joseph Parishioners* (Church)

Sun Feb 5 *FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME*

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

11:00AM †*Bennye Clemmons* (Church)

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.”

~Matthew 5:3

The phrase “poor in spirit” can be confusing. Think of it in this sense – poor in spirit means depending on God’s providence and not depending on our own self-reliance. Being detached from earthy things (power, money, and comfort) and being attached to heavenly things (charity, sacrifice, and mercy). Denying ourselves from satisfying our desires and helping others obtain their basic needs.

St Joseph Altar Society will meet Thursday, February 2 at 5:30PM in Gallagher Hall. The men are cooking chili! Please make plans to attend.

Don’t forget the First Saturday Mass February 4 at 9:00AM in the church.

Mark your calendars! Catholic Daughters will have a Souper Bowl Fundraiser (Soup Sale) on February 11th and 12th in Gallagher Hall following Masses that weekend. Dine in or carry out. Additional details in next week’s bulletin.

The beautiful flowers in front of the Altar of Sacrifice this weekend were places there in loving memory of Lawrence Zell, by his son Leonard and Family.