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MARCH 6, 2022 - FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

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

February 27, 2022

RECORD OF OUR FAITHFULNESS

Offertory—\$3,271.00
 Poor Box—\$12.00

May we give God the “first fruits” of our gifts – our first and best time in prayer, charitable works in ministry participation and financial support of our parish mission and community outreach.

6:00PM—40
 11:00AM—70
Total—110

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, Breckin Birge, Gia Blanchard, Tim Boutwell, Brandie Castleberry, Sybil Cope, Anna Crawford, Mary Davis, Judy Ellison, Theresa Failla, Mary Shannon Fikes, Angelique Ford, Julie Dial Habelmann, Carol Hastings, Gene Hastings, Scott Howell, Anna Marie Jacks, David Jackson, Mary Ann Kizer, Doug Langlois, Jr, Scott McGeorge, Mary Ellen Miskell, Franklin Murray, Thomas Oster, Betty Petrus, Claudia Rainey, Laurie Stanfield, 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, especially Mike Lambert.
 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.

SUBSCRIBE TO ARKANSAS CATHOLIC - You might have overheard this conversation in our parish. One person asks, “How did you know that?” The other person replies, “I read it in Arkansas Catholic.” What are you missing out on by not subscribing and reading Arkansas Catholic? The award-winning weekly newspaper of the Diocese of Little Rock offers complete print and digital subscriptions. -The print edition is delivered to your mailbox every week. Subscriptions are only \$30 a year (\$28 for seniors). Pick up a subscription envelope in the pews, visit arkansas-catholic.org or call (501) 664-0125. -And you can get Arkansas Catholic Digital the same day it’s published on your computer and most smart devices. Postal delays are no longer a problem.

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Please remember, as we are striving to live amid this pandemic and lower Mass attendance, that we must still pay our bills. Your continued Stewardship is very important. Please place in the box in church or mail to the parish office. A BIG thanks to those sending in their Stewardship.

NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR is requesting canned goods and any other non-perishable food items for their pantry.

Father Joe will have Mass at St. Mary Catholic Church, Plum Bayou the last Thursday of every month at 6:00PM. The next Mass date will be March 24.

ATTENTION: Our Coat Drive has been extended through the end of March! Thank you to everyone who has assisted with this so far. The response has been good. The need for all sizes of clean, gently used, or new coats is still here. Boxes are still out to place them in. Thanks for your help!

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

IGNATIAN RETREAT OPPORTUNITY—Deepen your friendship with the Lord in sacred stillness & quiet. Experience an Ignatian Silent Directed Retreat at St. John's Center, Little Rock. The retreat begins Thursday, March 17 with dinner at 6:00 pm and ends Sunday, March 20 after lunch. A cost of \$325.00 includes 3 night accommodations, 9 meals, and daily individual sessions with a retreat director. For details contact Jennifer Wolfe dolr.silentretreat@gmail.com or at 501-851-2763. Registration forms are available at www.dolr.org. Limited spaces available.

ARKANSAS CATHOLIC PHOTO CONTEST - Arkansas Catholic is running a contest to choose a photo for the cover of the 2023 diocesan directory. Any Arkansas photographer 18 or older, professional or amateur, can enter their photo of a Catholic church or institution in the diocese. March 11 is the deadline to enter the contest. Complete rules and an official entry form are available at arkansas-catholic.org. For more information, email Emily Roberts at eroberts@dolr.org.



**Catholic Arkansas
Sharing Appeal**

CATHOLIC ARKANSAS SHARING APPEAL (CASA) 2022
Prayerfully welcome this opportunity to give in support of the overall needs of the Church in our area of the Diocese.

OUR GOAL IS \$14,700.00

Please return your CASA Gift/Pledge as soon as possible.

This week in our parish

Sun Mar 6 *FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT*

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

11:00AM †*Tracie Clay-Mavins* (Church)

Mon Mar 7 Sts Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs

8:00AM †*Genevieve Bednar* (Church)

5:30PM K of C Mtg (KC Hall)

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

Tue Mar 8 St John of God, Religious

8:00AM *No Daily Mass*

Wed Mar 9 St Frances of Rome, Religious

5:30PM †*Mary Frith* (Church)

6:15PM Pastoral Council Mtg (Office Kitchen)

Thu Mar 10

8:00AM †*Willis Bonvillain* (Church)

Fri Mar 11

DAY OF ABSTINENCE



8:00AM †*Mary Mitchell* (Church)

6:00PM Stations of the Cross (Church)

Sat Mar 12

8:00AM Men's Holy Hour (Chapel)

11AM-12PM Confessions Heard (Church)

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

Sun Mar 13 *SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT*

2:00am Daylight Saving Time Starts

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

11:00AM †*Son Do* (Church)

12:00PM "Pray" Movie and Lunch (G Hall)

"I have now brought you the first fruits of the products of the soil which you, O Lord, have given to me."

~Deuteronomy 26:1

This line from the Old Testament offers two challenges. First, do you give to God from your "first fruits" - the first and best that you have to offer, or do you give from what you have leftover? Second, do you realize that everything you have and that everything you are has been given to you by God? Ask God for a grateful and generous heart, every day, in all circumstances.

FAMILY THEATER PRODUCTIONS PRESENTS

*"PRAY" THE STORY OF PATRICK
PEYTON (THE FAMILY THAT PRAYS
TOGETHER STAYS TOGETHER)*

SUNDAY, MARCH 13

*After 11:00AM Mass - Gallagher Hall
Lunch Served*

Hope & Healing - A 12-week online Bible study just for women who have been wounded by abortion, will begin March 15, meeting on Tuesday evenings from 6-7pm* via Zoom. This free Project Rachel Ministry opportunity will explore the impact of past abortion decisions on our lives and help us discover what we need to do to heal from these traumatic experiences. On this journey of self-discovery and empowerment we will meet 12 amazing women who, just like us, are wives, mothers, daughters, sisters, and friends. Together, we will learn how these women faced the same struggles and challenges that we face, and through their example gain insight into what we can do to make changes in our own lives so that we can move forward from lingering grief, shame, guilt, fear, and pain, to acceptance, forgiveness, trust, peace, love, and joy. Any woman, anywhere, can participate from the comfort of her own space, anonymously if desired, with a virtual group of soon-to-be friends. Call or text our CONFIDENTIAL direct phone line 501-663-0996 for more information. Registration is required by March 8, 2022.

**Other meeting days/times may be available. Please call if interested.*