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MARCH 12, 2023 - THIRD 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

March 5, 2023

RECORD OF OUR FAITHFULNESS

Offertory—\$6,661.00
 Poor Box—\$58.00
 Building Fund—\$360.00
 Cemetery Fund—\$535.00

May we become more
 “God-centered” and less
 “self-centered” in our daily
 actions and decisions.

6:00PM—65
 11:00AM—97
 Total—162

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, Breckin Birge, Tim Boutwell, Irene Christian, Lee Cole, Anna Crawford, Janie Culpepper, Judy Ellison, John Golden, Karen Gossett, Julie Dial Habelmann, Denise Haber, Shirley Hartwick, Carol Hastings, Anna Marie Jacks, David Jackson, Mary Ann Kizer, Scott McGeorge, Mary Ellen Miskell, Thomas Oster, Betty Petrus, Claudia Rainey, Margie Ross, 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...

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!

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.

There are many dates in 2023, starting with April 13, 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.

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.

Father Joe will say Mass at St. Mary Catholic Church, Plum Bayou Thursday, March 30 at 6:00PM. Please make plans to attend.

DONATE TO JUNKTIQUE - Junktique donations to support Catholic High School will be accepted weekdays March 13-24 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Furniture, items for your home, clothing and shoes in good condition will be accepted. Books, mattresses and box TVs are no longer accepted. Large item pick-up in Pulaski County can be scheduled by calling (501) 664-3939 or emailing chsjunktique@lrchs.org. Junktique will be held from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, April 1. All proceeds will be used for physical improvements to the school and for keeping tuition affordable.

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RETREAT - "*The Lord's Supper: A Eucharistic Revival*" will be hosted by John Michael Talbot at Little Portion Hermitage and Monastery March 24-26, June 2-4 and June 16-18. Jesus Christ invites us to return to the source and summit of our faith: a personal encounter with Jesus Christ through his Real Presence in the Eucharist. John Michael is supporting the National Eucharistic Revival happening today to restore understanding and devotion to this great mystery here in the United States. (During this retreat - guided by his new book, The Lord's Supper ~ A Eucharistic Revival, John Michael will accompany you through the Mass into a life-changing appreciation of Jesus Christ fully present in every Eucharist.) It is a true Eucharistic revival and you are invited! For complete details and to register visit:

<https://troubadourforthelord.net/store/ols/categories/little-portion-retreats-with-john-michael-talbot>

This week in our parish

Sun Mar 12 *THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT*

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

11:00AM †Mike Lambert (Church)

Mon Mar 13

8:00AM †Gene Richardson (Church)

Tue Mar 14

8:00AM *No Daily Mass*

9:30AM Scripture Study (Ed Bldg)

Wed Mar 15


5:30PM *Int Lauren Bryant* (Church)

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

Thu Mar 16

8:00AM †Mary Kohler Brown (Church)

Fri Mar 17 St. Patrick, Bishop

Day of Abstinence 

8:00AM †Mary Belvedresi (Church)

5-7PM Lenten Fish Fry (G Hall)

6:00PM Stations of the Cross (Church)

Sat Mar 18 St Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop
and Doctor of the Church

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

11AM-12PM Confessions Heard (Church)

6:00PM †St Joseph Parishioners (Church)

Sun Mar 19 *FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT*

9:30AM No P.R.E. Today (Spring Break)

11:00AM †Judy Reese (Church)

12:00PM St Joseph Day Potluck (G Hall)

“Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again.” ~John 4:13

Jesus reminds us that material things, even something as basic as water, can never satisfy us over the long run. When we build our lives around material possessions we will always want more and no amount will ever satisfy our desire. True joy and peace only comes when we follow Jesus - when we become more “God-centered” and less “self-centered.”

Next week our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ’s love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the collection and reveal Christ’s love to those most in need.

Learn more about the collection at
www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

Catholic Charities of Arkansas is hosting a four-day Faith Community Course. It is open to licensed, registered nurses who want to practice holistic health for individuals and the community using nursing knowledge combined with spiritual care. Parishes that want to start a faith community nursing ministry are encouraged to send at least one representative to the training. The course will be held April 21-22 and May 5-6 in the Biltz Room in St. John Center's Morris Hall in Little Rock. The course is free. For more information, contact Sister Iliana Aponte, DC, at (501) 664-0340 or iaponte@dolr.org.

Register at <https://www.dolr.org/events/faith-community-nursing-course>.

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